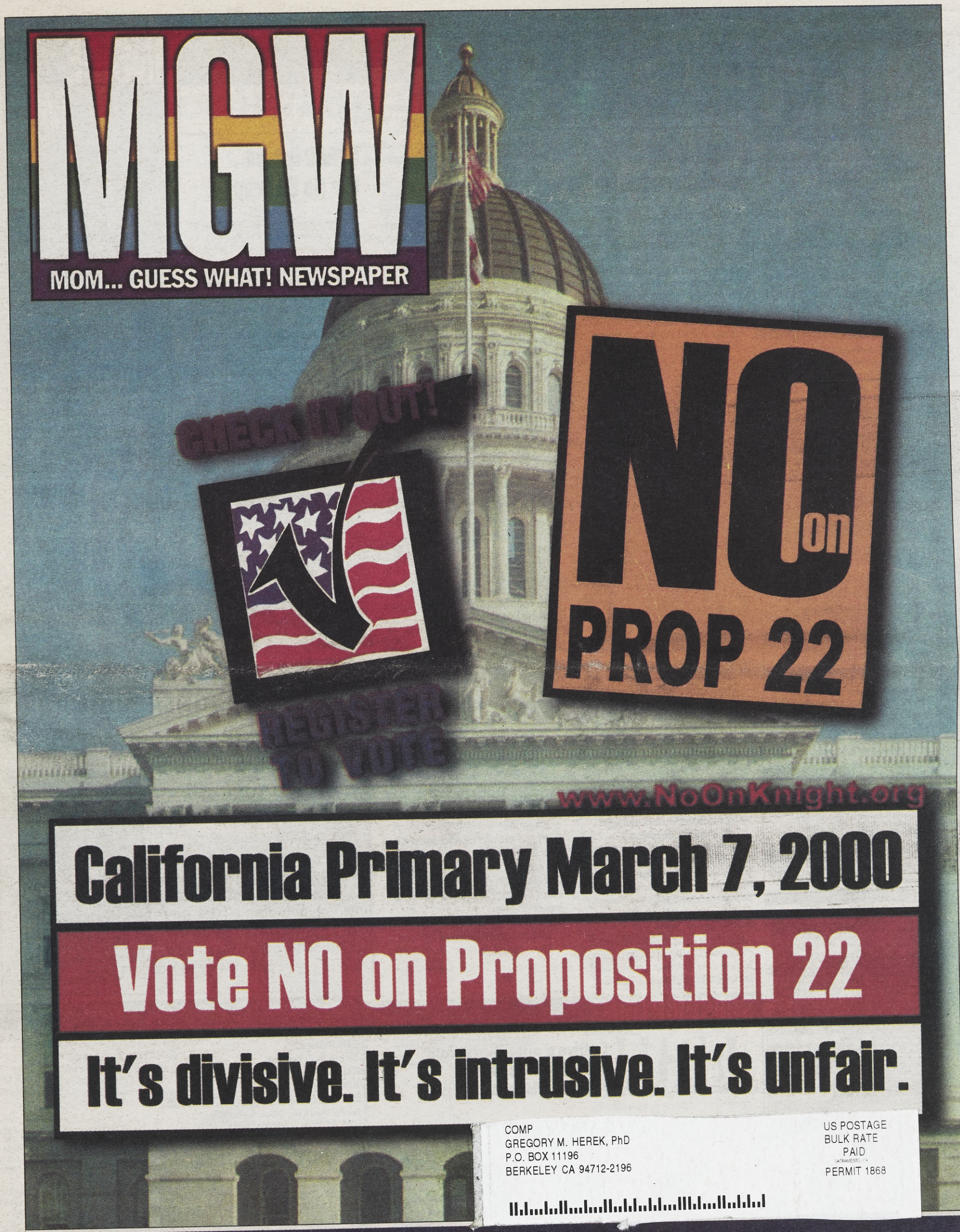
MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER



California Primary March 7, 2000

Vote NO on Proposition 22

It's divisive. It's intrusive. It's unfair.

COMP
GREGORY M. HEREK, PhD
P.O. BOX 11196
BERKELEY CA 94712-2196

US POSTAGE
BULK RATE
PAID
SACRAMENTO CA
PERMIT 1868

February 15, 2000 • Volume 22 • Issue 379
Sacramento's Premier Gay & Lesbian Newspaper Since 1978
FREE

MGW
MOM GUESS WHAT NEWSPAPER

Sacramento's Premier Gay & Lesbian Newspaper
Since 1978

1725 L Street
Sacramento • California • 95814

Voice: 916.441.6397
Fax: 916.441.6422
Email: info@mgwnews.com
www.mgwnews.com

Copyrighted Since 1978
ISSN 1093-5908

STAFF

Publisher/Executive Editor
Linda Birner

Assistant to the Editor
Jeff Davis

Graphic Design
Kevin Boyd

Film Editor
Stefan Grunwedel

HIV/AIDS Editor
Sonya Cox

Music Editor
Charles Turner

Fitness Editor
Chip Conrad

Business Editor
Eric Hodgson

Distribution
Adam Stoner

Local Advertising
916.441.6397

National Advertising
Rivendale Marketing
212.242.6863

WRITERS

Wayne Anderson, Patricia R. Broussard, Joanne Burkett, Chip Conrad, Sonya Cox, Jeff Davis, Joy Fisher, Jim Fitzpatrick, Randy Hartley, Dr. Joseph Heller, Eric Hodgson, Shireen Miles, Mary Secor, Jerry Semas, Pat Sojourner, Charles Turner

PHOTOGRAPHERS

Chris A. Allen, Sam Catalano, Mike Cook, David Felderstein, Kathryn Glaeser, Deborah Goldstein, Roni Jordan, Ian Montgomery, James Ozanich, Mike Roskey, Max Sabo

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Bulk Mail - $30/year
Canada - $70/year
First Class - $61/year
Foreign - $80/year

INFORMATION

Mom Guess What Newspaper is published twice each month on the first and the fifteenth of each month. **Copyright 2000** by MGW Newspaper. All rights reserved. No portion of MGW, including editorial features, advertising or artwork may be reproduced in whole or part without written permission of the publisher.
MGW can assume no liability for errors, whether made by the original news source or by MGW in summarizing or editing the story, beyond the printing of a correction or retraction. Opinions expressed in by-lined articles and letters are those of the writers and do not necessarily represent the opinions of MGW. Publication of name, photograph or likeness of any person or organization in articles or advertising is not to be construed as any indication of sexual orientation. Any similarity between individuals named or described in works of fiction or semi-fiction and actual persons, living or dead, is purely coincidental. Readers are advised that MGW assumes no responsibility for claims made by the advertiser.
Readers who have problems with advertisers are asked to report such problems to MGW. MGW reserves the right to reject any advertising for any reason. The Publisher and MGW Newspaper, shall not be liable for any error in published advertising unless an advertising proof is requested in writing and clearly marked for corrections. If the error is not corrected by the Publisher, shall not be liable for any omission of an advertisement ordered to be published.
Liability, if any, shall be limited to the rescheduling and the running of the advertisement at the advertisers cost. All claims for adjustment must be made within 30 days of publication. In no case shall the Publisher be liable for any general, special or consequential damages. Manuscripts, drawings and photographs may be submitted to the editorial offices.
All reasonable care will be taken but no responsibility can be assumed for any unsolicited material. A stamped, self-addressed envelope must accompany all manuscripts, drawings or photographs submitted if they are to be returned.
All letters addressed to MGW or its editors are assumed intended for publication. Names will be withheld upon request.

AFFILIATIONS

National Gay & Lesbian Journalist Association
Society of Professional Journalists
Midtown Business Association
Alternative Press Syndicate

NLGJA
SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS.

FORUM/LETTERS

MGW readers are interested in what you have to say! For verification, letters to the Editor must include a signature, printed name, address and phone number. Names can be withheld if requested. MGW reserves the right to edit for brevity, content and slander. See staff box at left for mailing and contact information.

Right-Wing Christians Letting Up

Dear Editor,

In the midst of vicious and violent physical, verbal and legislative attacks against gays, I have noticed a reassuring trend which is no less than a miracle. Right-wing "Christian" extremists are apparently starting to have Epiphanies of understanding about how anti-gay rhetoric causes violence against gays, including murder.

I first noticed this when Jerry Falwell, who has expressed some very strange ideas about gays, such as his Teletubbies theory, hosted a conference in October to start a dialogue with the gay clergy. Falwell came out of the meeting with the promise that while he still considers homosexuality to be a sin, he will tone down his anti-gay rhetoric.

Then Cal Thomas, a leading right-wing political activist with close ties to right-wing "Christian" extremism, wrote an opinion piece in the November 21st issue of the Los Angeles Times. While it doesn't directly deal with how the "Christian" right treats gays, it does indicate a crack in their steadfast ranks.

Thomas repudiated right-wing "Christian" beliefs "that non-Christians are supposed to accept the Christian agenda and beliefs without question," and expressed disdain at their surprise and offense "than anyone would oppose their beliefs and tactics, because they claim to be right."

Thomas ridicules right-wing "Christian" assertations of "persecution" just because they're not allowed to Christianize public schools with prayer and Bible reading, and hang the Ten Commandments on the schoolhouse wall.

Of their citing Matthew 5:ll ("Blessed, are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me..."), Thomas replies, "The key word here is 'falsely.' If one is persecuted for being a jerk, he deserves what he gets." And the congregation said, "Amen!"

I am not gay, but I grew up next door to, and was good friends with, a gay who was murdered last summer by someone who considers himself a "good" Christian who is "cleansing a sick society," giving me irrefutable evidence that there is a link between neo-"Christian" anti-gay rhetoric and the persecution of gays.

Right-wing neo-"Christians" like Focus on the Family, organizer of the "Love Won Out" anti-gay roadshow, like to say that homosexuality is a sin. But they neglect to point out that the Bible says that everyone is a sinner, and that sin is not the exclusive domain of sex in general, and homosexuality in particular. It also includes anti-gay bigots who stereotype and dehumanize gays.

So take heart, my gay brothers and sisters. If you pray that the "religious right" will build bridges towards you instead of erecting walls against you, it can, and will, happen.

Allen Turner

Unite!

Dear Editor,

I challenge the community, a triple dog dare, to erect two memorials. One for the gay Vets and one for the ladies of Stonewall. It's time to honor our heroes!

Plus I would like to set a new precedent for the Pride Parades. Let the ladies of our imagination carry the first colors before the Vets. Let our freedom ring.

Sincerely,
Neala Lynn Balmes
Phoenix, Arizona

$7000 Raised For No On Prop 22

The following letter was sent to Linda Birner, MGW Publisher.

Dear Linda,

Thank you so much for your help and sponsorship of the No On Knight fundraiser on January 15, 2000 at our home. The party was a resounding success, and we could not have done it without the help of everyone who either donated or attended the event.

Your support helped us raise nearly $7,000 for the campaign to defeat Proposition 22 initiative. So many different individuals and organizations made wonderful donations that we cannot begin to list them all here. Whether you gave cash directly, donated a raffle prize, provided food, or attended the event, you made a difference!

Again thank you for your help. The March 7 primary election needs your vote, and we hope you will vote and encourage your friends. We look forward to working with you again in the future.

All the best to you!
Very truly yours,
Rudy Lachica
John Bennett

INSIDE MGW

Business....11
Business Directory....28
Calender....30&31
Classifieds....29
Entertainment/Film....13
Entertainment/Hollywood....14&15
Food & Wine....8
Health & Wellness....27
HIV Front....26
Local News....9,10&11
News Bytes....21-25
Out With Pets....19
Outtings....18
Politics....20
Under The Dome....3-9

Thank You MGW!

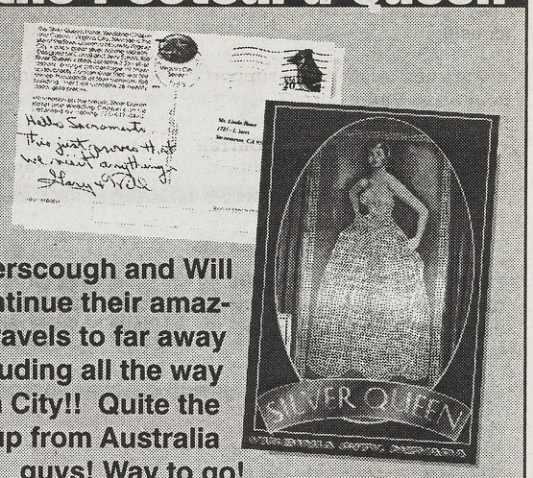
Dear Editor

I got a sneak peek at your latest issue, and thanks a million for the article you put in about my show Being Gay Today... I hope all is well , take care and thanks again.

Greg S. Scott

Editor's Note:
You're Welcome Greg!

From the Postcard Queen



Gary Myerscough and Will Coffey continue their amazing travels to far away places including all the way to Virginia City!! Quite the move up from Australia guys! Way to go!

SUBSCRIPTIONS

MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER

Give a gift subscription!
Subscribe today!
Don't miss a single issue!

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

❑ 1 year mailed on the 1st & 15th $30
❑ 1 year mailed 1st Class & Bagged $61
❑ check enclosed
❑ renewal
❑ address change

Date _____ Check # _____
Amt. $_____ Expiration_____

REPORTING A BIAS CRIME

NON-EMERGENCY	264-5471
EMERGENCY	911
Crime in Progress	911
Bias Crime Hotline Anonymous	454-BIAS (2427)
Bias Crime	264-5471

SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief Larry Gibbs, G/L Laison	265-5977
Capt. Jim Hyde (Downtown Sector)	566-6401
Lt. Cara Westin (Downtown Sector)	264-5044
Officer Don Rehm, Midtown Neighborhood	566-6461, x 12
Officer Mike Carrasco, Midtown Neighborhood	566-6461, x12
Steve Harrold, Supervising District Attorney	440-5840

CHP

Lt. Montey Hensley	581-2300
Capt. Dennis Williams	324-3692

SACRAMENTO POLICE DEPT. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Linda Birner	441-6397
Midge Marino	927-5651

A Reminder: If you have an issue with the Sacramento Police Department, there is a group of SPD officers and civilians that volunteer to help facilitate better communications between the GLBT community and the Police department. This group founded the Sacramento Police Advisory Committee:

Sgt. Cara Westin	264-5044	Capt. Jim Hyde	566-6460
Officer Barbara Schmacher	564-5471	Linda Birner	441-6397
Midge Marino	927-5651		

UNDER THE DOMES

Who Should The GLBT Community Support For Mayor?

Gary Miller, Linda Birner, and MGW Staff Reporters compiled this story.

Though Proposition 22, the Knight Initiative, is a very important measure for the GLBT community, there are other issues and candidates on the March ballot that has significant importance to the GLBT community, also fortunately Sacramento GLBT community has a couple of options when it comes to Mayor. We also have friends running for other offices as well. The primary election will be held on **Tuesday, March 7, 2000** with a run off (if needed) in November.

Since CAP/PAC has decided not to make a pre-primary endorsement in the mayor's race, **MGW Newspaper** asked political activist **Gary Miller** to report on the candidates for the March ballot. Miller has been involved in the political arena for almost 40 years. He is the former chairman of the Sacramento Democratic Party and currently serves as a member of the Robla School Board.

Both **Heather Fargo** and **Steve Cohn** have been strong supporters of the GLBT community for many years. Cohn was the first to return this reporter's call to say he is opposed to the Knight Initiative, as is Heather Fargo. Both are members of the Sacramento City Council. Both are strong Democrats. They have both been very outspoken on GLBT rights & have attended almost all GLBT events. CAP/PAC, Rainbow Freedom Fair, Lambda Fair, and the AIDS Walk. They both have always been there for us!!!

Fargo has received the support from **Anne Rudin**, former mayor of Sacramento, **Senator Deborah Ortiz**, and **Assemblyman Darrell Steinberg**. Fargo has served on the council for 10 years. She was a supporter of the Sacramento City Domestic Partner legislation, and attended our celebration on Election night! When **Vincent Blade** was murdered, Fargo was in the forefront insuring it was designated as a Hate Crime.

Rob Kerth is another member of the Sacramento City Council running for mayor. His political history is puzzling. He did not bother to vote for over 20 years, before he decided to run for city council. He did not bother to vote on the **Briggs Initiative**, which would have barred gay people from being able to teach in California schools. He was registered as an independent voter for several years. He registered with the Democratic Party before announcing his bid for mayor.

Kerth has supported Christian right candidates for the Robla School Board, which is in his district. **Wendy Clymer**, who takes her Christian faith very seriously, is a strong supporter of Kerth. Kerth supported Clymer when she ran for school board. Councilman Kerth also supported **Terri Nutt** for the school board. Nutt was an anti-gay vote on the school board.

This reporter called Kerth's city council office several months ago requesting Kerth's position on the Knight Initiative. The councilman has yet to return the call even though his staff person indicated that a call would be received. Several months ago he did call Publisher Linda Birner, asking for the support of the GLBT community.

Another City Council candidate running for Mayor is **Robbie Waters**. Many long time Sacramento GLBT activists may remember when Waters, a friend of the GLBT community, first ran for sheriff. He was running against a homophobic incumbent. Water's won that race partly because of the support he received from the GLBT community. Waters is a registered Republican, and has actively pursued this paper's endorsement. He also has attended almost all CAP/PAC, Lambda Freedom Fairs, Rainbow Fair, and GLBT events!

Other mayoral candidates include:

Julie Padilla attended the No On Proposition 22 fundraiser at **John Bennetts** and **Rudy Lachica's** home, and has contacted MGW several times. She is the daughter of Leonard Padilla,of Bounty Hunter and Bail Bonds fame. She is excellent on GLBT rights and issues. She is new to the political arena in Sacramento, So not this time, let's keep our eyes on her!

Albert Estrada is running to teach his Boy Scout troop how civic participation works. He is against the Knight Initiative. When asked how he feels about the discriminatory nature of Boy Scouts, he indicated that if he were "in charge, it would not be an issue.... it doesn't matter to me as long as you are a good role model for the scouts".

Ellen Pinson believes that everyone deserves the same benefits. She feels that the Knight Initiative "should not even be on the ballot".

She is active in her community as well as serving as a Sunday School teacher. As this story was being written, Pinson's name was being removed from the ballot as election officials determined she did not live within the city limits. However, she is considering taking legal action to get her name back on the ballot.

Joe Gensbles never returned calls. We believe he is negative on GLBT issues.

Nathan Barry, Ronald Anderson, Rowland Reeves are also candidates, but unknown.

Either **Steve Cohn** or **Heather Fargo** would continue to support the GBLT community. A good argument could be made for either candidate. However, the edge must go to Fargo. She has served on the council longer. In addition, it is also important to elect more women to public office.

Recommendation: Heather Fargo

●●●●●●●●●●●

CityCouncil

District 2

Sandy Sheedy is running for city council in District 2. She is opposed to the Knight Initiative and has even attended a lesbian marriage. She has GLBT individuals on her campaign staff.

One of her opponents is **Craig De Luz**. He will be supporting the Knight Initiative. He was asked his position on domestic partner benefits. At first he said he opposed them, then he said he supports them then he said he would be willing to listen to all points of view. He was not aware of the fact that the Sacramento City already offers domestic partner benefits to city employees.

Another candidate in this race is **Erthia Johnson**, who currently serves on the Grant School Board. He feels he is doing an excellent job on the Grant School board and wants to provide the same kind of service to the people of the city that the Grant School District offers to the community. He does not have a position on either the Knight Initiative nor domestic partner benefits.

Bill Farrell is another candidate in this race. He is a businessman in the district. When this reporter met with him, he did not seem very knowledgeable about GLBT issues.

Recommendation: Sandy Sheedy

●●●●●●●●●●●

District 4

Jimmie Yee is currently the appointed Mayor of Sacramento. He was appointed to fill out the term of the late **Joe Serna**. Mayor Yee has indicated that he does not want to run for mayor, but to run for re-election to his city council seat.

Mayor Yee has been a victim of hate crime. His home was firebombed. He is supportive of the **Museum of Tolerance**, which would provide information on Sacramento diversity including the gay community. Mayor Yee has not been a strong supporter of domestic partner benefits. He is concerned about the cost factor. Yee, overall, has not been receptive to GLBT issues.

His only opponent is **Michael Anadon**. Anadon says, "I am completely opposed to the Knight Initiative. I can't say it any better than the argument against Proposition 22...we should stay out of people's private lives and let people make their own decisions about moral values and commitments. "As far as domestic partner benefits, I am absolutely in favor of them. Although I am disappointed that the Senate amended out language requiring health plans to offer the option of domestic partner health care benefits, I am pleased that domestic partnership legislation was signed last year."

Recommendation: Michael Andon is probably better on our issues.

●●●●●●●●●

District 6

Dave Jones has no opposition. He has been supportive of the GLBT community, and recently attended a No on Proposition 22 at the home of **John Bennet** and **Rudy Lachica.**

Recommendation: Dave Jones

●●●●●●●●●●

District 8

Bonnie Pannell is running for re-election. She won the seat in a special election upon the death of her husband Sam. She has indicated support for domestic partner legislation.

One of her opponents is **Chris Clark**, who is opposed to domestic partner benefits because it is "against the Bible"

Pat Shelby is another candidate in this race. She has been supportive of the GLBT community for a number of years.

Though both Dannell and Shelby are good on our issues, Pannell is the incumbent and has a better chance to defeat Clark.

Recommendation: Bonnie Pannell

●●●●●●●●●●●

Sacramento County Supervisor Race

District 3

Mike Duvenick is running in District 3. Though he has not taken a position on the Knight Initiative, he does support domestic partner benefits, which he believes are "long overdue".

He is running against the incumbent **Muriel Johnson**. This reporter called Johnson office for her positions, but no one returned the call. And over the years she has never lead a parade for GLBT rights, and we believe has never been spotted at GLBT or AIDS event.

Recommendation: Mike Duvenick

●●●●●●●●●●●

District 4

Roger Niello is running for re-election and has indicated that he didn't have any philosophical problems with domestic partner benefits. His concern was the cost factor and the possible abuse. He refused to take a position on the Knight Initiative.

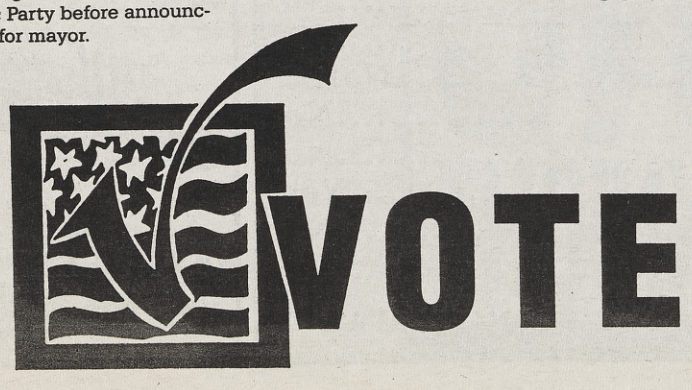
One of his opponents is **Tony Russell**, who indicated that he is opposed to gay marriage, but did not specifically answer the question regarding the Knight initiative. He has no problems with domestic partner benefits. He was instrumental in asking the AIDS community to meet with the staff of the Board of Supervisors.

Doug Stevens ran for Supervisor once before. He has indicated that he "feels comfortable with supporting domestic partner benefits". He believes that people should "embrace differences"

Recommendation:

This is a difficult one. Supervisor Niello will probably win re-election and it is the belief of this reporter that he is someone with whom we can work with. Nevertheless Doug Stevens seems to be stronger on our issues.

●●●●●●●●●●



MGW Endorsements

UNDER THE DOMES

The Son of Prop. 22's Author Lends Support to Fundraiser

Patrice Broussard
MGW/ Staff

David Knight, the son of state Senator William "Pete" Knight (R-Palmdale) agreed to lend his name to a Santa Clarita fundraiser for the "No on Knight" campaign.

"We're going to raise money to fight [Sen. Knight's] bill in his own backyard," said Tom DiCioccio, one of the event's co-hosts. "He's supposed to represent all of us and this is a clear signal he's ignoring the gay population.

According to organizers, the event has raised $3,000 so far and is part of a larger fundraising campaign. House parties and bigger events are scheduled in an effort to raise $5 million.

Sen. Knight said that he had no objection to his son hosting any events. He added that he hoped to see his son if and when he came to Santa Clarita. David Knight lives in Maryland.

David Knight, who is openly gay, and his father have found themselves in the middle of the fight for gay and lesbian marriages. In an article published last year in the Los Angeles Times, the younger Knight stated that his relationship with his father has suffered ever since he came out about four years ago. Sen. Knight however denies that there is trouble between he and his son.

Representative Pisaturo Introduces Pro-Marriage Bill

Patrice Broussard
MGW/ Staff

Openly gay Rhode Island Representative Michael Pisaturo (D-Cranston) introduced a bill in his state's legislature that would allow all citizens of Rhode Island all access to marriage.

"All of our state's families should have equal access to the rights and responsibilities of civil marriage," stated Pisaturo. "This bill is not about, nor will it ever require about religious denomination to perform or recognize same-sex marriage; it is only about the government allowing equal access to a civil marriage license for gay and straight couples alike. Legally, religious and civil marriage are two separate institutions. People of faith are sincerely divided in their beliefs about gay unions.

Twenty co-sponsors have joined Pisaturo in support of Rhode Islands Equal Access to Marriage Act and he has introduced similar measures in the past. He feels that in this year, support has grown sufficiently to hold hearings on the bill. Pisaturo's proposal is the only pro-marriage measure currently before any state legislature in the country.

Civil marriage, Pisaturo explained, ensures hospital visitation rights, the ability to file joint tax returns, inheritance rights, equal access to bereavement leave or sick leave to care for an ailing partner, the ability to make medical decisions without a special power of attorney and literally hundreds of other basic family-friendly legal safeguards.

Mention this ad for a free bar of Pride soap

A Soap & Candle Shop

Sacramento's Largest Selection of Soaps & Candles

DiverseCity

A Soap & Candle Shop

1731 L Street 444-7621

Sacramentos largest selection of Soaps & Candles

A Republican Woman Worth Watching

MGW Staff

Up in Chico their is an interesting Republican woman to keep an eye on, **Mary Andrews**. She is running for State Senate in the 1st District. She dropped by unexpectedly at the MGW offices on Friday.

Andrews says, "Proposition 22 is NOT about saving marriage. It is about sowing the seeds of hatred among us to distract the voters while special interests quietly push their private agendas .

When Hitler came to power in Nazi Germany, one of the first groups he attacked was homosexuals. If the petty demagogues who created Proposition 22 are successful in pushing their agenda onto the voters of California, who is the next group to be attacked? The words "freedom for all" cannot be compromised. The struggle of the American nation is the struggle to be true to the wisdom of our Founding Fathers that "All men are created free and equal" "

She states clearly, this is time for some simple changes. Andrews believes in the use of medical marijuana, less government is better, and in the common sense of voters. Andrews was the Mayor of Chico in 1990-1992 and Vice Mayor 1996-1998, and active on boards and commissions.

MGW Endorsements

United States Senator	**Dianne Feinstein**
United States Representative	
Congressional District 5	**Robert Matsui**
Member of the State Assembly	
Assembly District 9	**Darrell Steinberg**
Judicial	
Judges of the Superior Court Office #1	
County Board of Supervisors	
District 3	**Mike Duveneck**
District 4	**Roger Niello**
City of Sacramento	
Mayor	**Heather Fargo**
City Council District 2	**Sandy Sheedy**
City Council District 4	**Michael Anadon**
City Council District 8	**Bonnie Pannell**

PROPOSITIONS

1A	Yes
12	Yes
13	Yes
14	Yes
15	Yes
16	Yes
17	Yes
18	No
19	Yes
20	No
21	No
22	No!!!!
23	No
25	No
26	Yes
27	No
28	No
29	No

NO on KNIGHT

TAHOE PARK!!!

2bd, 2ba, ch&a
Extra Sharp & New
On The Market
Call Now
$102,950
536-5990

Parcel Plus +
Alhambra mail & parcel
• Mail Boxes
• Notary
• Send & Receive Fax
• Keys Made
• Quality Copies
• International & Domestic Shipping
• Packing Supplies
731-4440
3104 "O" Street at Alhambra

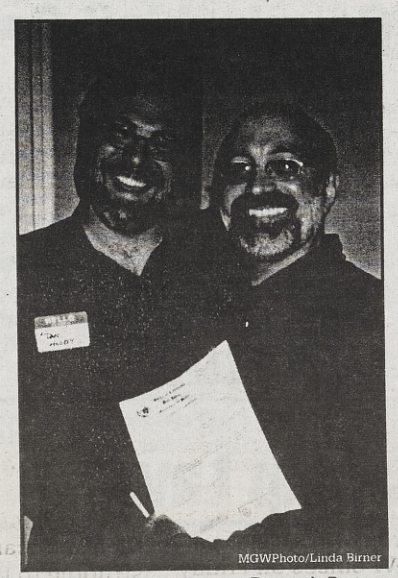
UNDER THE DOMES

The New California Domestic Partnership Law

California enters the new century with a long overdue, yet ground breaking new law. With the enactment of AB 26, authored by Assemblywoman Carole Migden and signed into law by Governor Gray Davis, California becomes only the second state in the union to legally recognize same sex relationships.

Beginning in the year 2000, lesbian and gay couples will be able to register with the State of California as domestic partners. Domestic partnership affirms the validity and worth of these relationships. Moreover, registration enables a domestic partner to extend specific benefits such as hospital visitation and health coverage to the other partner.

As opponents of same sex marriage in California and throughout the nation continue to attack the legitimacy and truth of committed relationships amoung lesbians and gay men, legal recognition of domestic partnerships represents an important affirmation of same sex couples. By legally registering their relationships, lesbians and gay men have an opportunity to demonstrate the benefits of societal recognition of their family relationships.



MGWPhoto/Linda Birner

By signing the new Domestic Partner Agreement enacted by Gov. Davis, Dan Hoody and David Felderstein are now eligible for similar benefits to those the married men and women enjoy – medical care, hospital visitation rights, and others. Congratulations Dan and David.

What is a Domestic Partnership under the New Law?

According to the new law, domestic partners must share a common residence and agree to be jointly responsible for each other's basic living expenses during the existence of the domestic partnership. The exact requirements of a domestic partnership are codified in Section 297 of the California Family Code and are summarized here.

Domestic partners must be adults, unmarried, and unrelated by blood. Domestic partners must also be members of the same sex, unless both parties are senior citizens. Same sex domestic partners must simply be over 18 years of age. In order for an opposite sex couple to register as domestic partners, both individuals must also be over the age of 62 and either eligible for Social Security pension benefits or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) as an aged individual.

Domestic Partners must share a common residence. The couple is not required to jointly own any property. In the case of rental property, it is not necessary that both partner's names appear on a lease. A domestic partner may retain another residence, and either partner may temporarily leave for business travel or any other reason as long as the partner intends to return to the common residence. Domestic partners must simply share a residence that is the location of a shared household.

Couples can become legally registered domestic partners when they register together with the Secretary of State.

How Do I Register?

After January 1, 2000, couples may register with the Secretary of State to become domestic partners. Registration forms will be available through the office of the Secretary of State, county clerk offices, and via the Internet at the Secretary of State's website at **www.ss.ca.gov.**

To register, a couple must complete the form attesting to their best knowledge and belief that they fulfill the requirements to become a domestic partnership including sharing a common residence and their agreement to be jointly responsible for each other's basic living expenses. Both couples must sign the registration document and have it notarized. They must then mail or deliver it to the Secretary of State's office with the fee of $10.

The domestic partnership is terminated if either partner dies, marries, or permanently separates from the common residence. The couple may also end the domestic partnership by filing a notice of termination with the Secretary of State. A single partner may terminate the domestic partnership by sending a written notice to the other partner by certified mail. One of the partners must inform the Secretary of State's office of the termination. Any third parties (e.g., health insurers) that provide benefits based on the domestic partnership must also be informed.

What Benefits Come from Registering as Domestic Partners?

Domestic partnership provides legal and societal affirmation of the value of lesbian and gay relationships. Currently, the new domestic partnership law guarantees hospital visitation rights to registered couples and extends employee health benefits for certain public sector employees whose coverage is governed under state law. Additional benefits are likely to accrue to registered domestic partners in the future. Private employers may also use stae registration as a basis for extending benefits, and under the statute, local governments may enact additional rights and duties related to domestic partnerships.

Hospital Visitation. Registered domestic partners are guaranteed the right to visit their partners in the hospital. No durable power of attorney for health care or any other documentation is required. If any other family member of a hospitalized domestic partner objects to the other partner's visiting privileges, the hospital or health facility is nevertheless legally obligated to provide access to the hospitalized partner. Only if visitation if generally curtailed for a bona fide purpose, such as the hospitalized partner's health, may a facility deny visitation.

State and local agency employees who are covered through the California Public

Please see DOMESTIC, pg. 6

Patrick's
FURNITURE REFINISHING
AND UPHOLSTERY!
Where Our Customers Send Their Friends!
931 Washington Blvd. Suite 111
786-6615
• Complete Upholstery
• Exclusive Fabrics
• Antique Refinishing
• Repairs - Restorations
• Color Matching
• Caning & Supplies
• Hand Stripping
• Custom Finishes
• Free Estimates
• Pick-up & Delivery
• Table Pads

Dr. Cameron T. Yee
OPTOMETRY
• eye examinations
• contact lenses
• sports vision
• glasses & sunglasses
6407 Riverside Boulevard
395-0673

BIG O TIRES DIRECT
If You're Not Buying Your Tires Direct, You're Paying Too Much!
BUY BIG O BRAND TIRES FACTORY DIRECT! CALL US OR VISIT WWW. BIGO.COM FOR NEW LOW DIRECT PRICES
Now Direct!

BIG O RADIAL MAX

155R12	29.99	P185/80R13	37.99
175/70R13	42.99	P185/75R14	37.99
185/70R13	43.99	P195/75R14	39.99
185/70R14	44.99	P205/75R14	39.99
195/70R14	47.99	P205/75R15	42.99
205/70R14	49.99	P215/75R15	42.99
P155/80R13	31.99	P225/75R15	44.99
P175/80R13	37.99	P235/75R15	44.99

Includes FREE rotations, flat repairs and road hazard warranty.

BIG O PATHMAX

P235/75R15	72.99	LT235/75R15	77.99
P265/75R15	77.99	LT235/85R16	87.99
30X9.50R15	80.99	LT245/75R16	97.99
31X10.50R15	82.99	LT265/75R16	92.99
33X12.50R15	107.99		

Includes FREE rotations, flat repairs and road hazard warranty.

BFGoodrich
ALL TERRAIN K/O

LT235/75R15	89.99	LT285/75R16	148.99
LT215/70R16	127.99	LT265/70R17	156.99
LT225/70R16	133.99	30X9.50R15	97.99
LT225/75R16	126.99	33X9.50R15	128.99
LT235/70R16	129.99	31X10.50R15	99.99
LT235/85R16	118.99	32X11.50R15	113.99
LT245/70R16	145.99	33X12.50R15	124.99
LT245/75R16	130.99	35X12.50R15	136.99
LT255/70R16	154.99	33X12.50R16.5	136.99
LT265/75R16	136.99	35X12.50R16.5	156.99

Plus FET on some sizes.
LOWEST TIRE PRICES
MICHELIN BFGoodrich DUNLOP PIRELLI
BIG O TIRES GOODYEAR FULDA AND MUCH MORE!
BIG O TIRES 2000 SPECIAL
✓ 4 Wheel Re-balance
✓ 4 Wheel Tire Rotation
✓ Visual Brake Inspection
✓ Visual Shock Inspection
✓ Fill Tires with Air
ALL FOR $20
Most vehicles. Not valid with any other offer. Expires 3/15/00
BIG O TIRES
OVER 400 STORES LOCALLY OWNED AND OPERATED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA
A Reputation You Can Ride On
MOUNTING, BALANCING, VALVE STEMS AND TIRE DISPOSAL AVAILABLE AT EXTRA CHARGE ON ALL TIRES.
SOME ITEMS IN SOME STORES ARE SPECIAL ORDER. NO DEALERS PLEASE.
Offers good at participating dealers. Prices, tread design and inventories may vary by location.
Price valid thru 3/15/99. Limit 4 tires per customer. See store for details.
VISIT OUR NEW STORE DOWNTOWN at
1615 L Street, (16th and L Streets) (916) 443-2900
Check the White pages under"Big O Tire Stores" for locations throughout the Sacramento Valley or check out our web site at www.bigo.com for maps
VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT: http://www.bigo.com

UNDER THE DOMES

Catholic Church Stands Idle As Hundreds Die And Suffer

"Hundreds of Roman Catholic priests across the United States have died of AIDS-related illnesses, and hundreds more are living with HIV... It appears that priests are dying of AIDS at a rate at least four times that of the general U.S. population...For the nation's 60 million Catholics, served by 46,000 priests, the AIDS issue goes straight to the heart of church doctrine

— a doctrine that... considers homosexual relations a sin and opposes the modern practice of 'safe sex'..."

The following statement may be attributed to Jeffrey Montgomery, Executive Director of the Triangle Foundation:

"Priests are sick and dying and the Roman Catholic Church ignores them. The reality of the Church's adherence to Dark Ages-mentality by its failure to address the reality of homosexuality in a non-judgmental way, puts hundreds at risk and has caused needless death for more than a decade.

"The Church itself sins when it allows such suffering to exist while knowing how to stop it. The Church should repent and save itself.

"The Church sins while priests, regardless of their sexual orientation, have to suffer AIDS infection and death in silence. The fact that they are terrified and bewildered into suppression of their fundamental selves is dreadful.

"While it is doubtful that even these alarming findings will move the leadership of the Church to change its positions, we can only hope that the Pope and other Church leaders will find their souls and change their sinful ways. Denial and condemnation are potent ingredients for explosive and tragic results."

Bradly Campaign Opens Castro Office

Democratic presidential candidate Bill Bradley's campaign opened a community outreach office in San Francisco's Castro District. The Bradley campaign is the only presidential campaign with an office in the Castro. "The purpose of our Castro office is to create a location in the heart of San Francisco's GLBT community where local residents can learn more about Bill Bradley and become part of our grassroots organization," said California State Director Katie Merrill.

Bill Bradley was the first presidential candidate to publicly oppose the Knight Initiative. He supports allowing GLBT to serve openly in the military and is committed to increasing funding for HIV and AIDS research and prevention programs. The office is located at 741 14th Street.

Migden To Codify Decision Calling Gay & Lesbians "Cognizable" Group

Calling an appeals court decision "the voice of reason", Assemblywoman Carole Migden announced that she will introduce legislation to codify the court's ruling that GLBTs cannot be excluded from participating on juries solely because of their sexual orientation. Placing this decision in law will make it clear to all courts that GLBTs have a place in the jury box and cannot be excluded because of sexual orientation.

The Attorney General can still choose to appeal the decision to the State Supreme Court. However, if this legislation is enacted, the law would be clear regardless of the outcome of that appeal. Migden said that this legislation will be introduced by February 25, 2000.

The New Domestic Partnership Law

From pg. 5

Employee Retirement System (Cal-PERS) health insurance pool may include their domestic partners as covered dependents. This benefit is subject to collective bargaining and is included in most new state employee contracts. After domestic partner registration takes effect in 2000, registered partners will be able to add their partners. Further information can be obtained from the Department of Personnel Administration, Cal-PERS, or from your union representative.

Domestic partner health coverage for non-unionized state employees is to be governed by regulations developed by the Department of Personnel Administration.

Local agency employees may be eligible for domestic partner coverage if the agency contracts with Cal-PERS for health coverage and opts to cover domestic partners. Inquire with your agency's personnel department for more information. You should also contact your union as most agencies have opted to cover domestic partnerships through the collective bargaining process.

What Are the Obligations of Being a Domestic Partner?

By registering as domestic partners, the couple agrees to be jointly responsible for each other's basic living expenses. These expenses include shelter, utilities, and the cost of maintaining the common household. If other economic benefits accrue from the domestic partnership, such as health insurance coverage, they are also included as basic living expenses. This responsibility only includes basic living expenses incurred during the existence of the domestic partnership. The new domestic partnership law provides for no economic support after termination.

Domestic partners do not share community property as married couples do, nor are they liable for spousal support or palimony as a result of creating the domestic partnership. Notwithstanding the legal partnership, however, common law palimony or quasi-community property obligations may arise separately as a result of shared living or other evidence of mutual economic support. The new law explicitly states that registration as domestic partners, in and of itself, does not establish these responsibilities.

Registration as domestic partners also does not affect either partner's tax liability or property ownership.

Where Can I Find More Information?

Secretary of State's office (916) 653-4984 or by visiting the office's website at www.ss.ca.gov.

Health benefit information for state employees is available from Cal-PERS at (800) 237-3345 or the California Department of Personal Administration at (916) 324-0455 or via the internet at www.dpa.ca.gov.

The new domestic partners law was enacted as AB 26 authored by Assemblywoman Carole Midgen, D-San Francisco, Chapter 588 of the Statutes of 1999. The statute is codified in California Family Code Section 297 et. seq. and California Government Code Section 22867 et. seq.

A copy of the law and further information regarding AB 26 and other legislation can be obtained via the Internet by visiting the Assembly and Senate websites at www.assembly.ca.gov and www.sen.ca.gov, respectively.

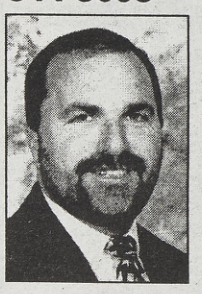
Discount Insurance for Committed Couples

A subsidiary of Whitaker Davis Insurance Services Lic.#0670151

Allstate
You're in good hands.

Tickets?
Accidents?
Call me.

Dan
Huffman
344-3095



Ca. Lic. 0710660

For less than perfect drivers–
Being in good hands is the only place to be. SM

© 1999 Allstate Insurance Company, Northbrook, Illinois, 24-hour customer service is available through select Allstate locations.

Universal Chiropractic
& Rehabilitation
Karen Chaney, D.C., Q.M.E.
* Qualified Medical Evaluator, Workers' Comp
* Certified in the Care of Whiplash Injuries
* Master's Degree in Exercise Science
* Specializing in Spinal Rehabilitation
916-392-3900
7200 S. Land Park Dr., Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95831

Digital Image
We Make the Internet Work for You
* Web Site Design
* Internet marketing
* Custom Graphics
916.391.2410
www.dig-image.com

UNDER THE DOMES

Why Gay Americans Should Support Scouts' Rights

Loyal Trustworthy And Straight?

by Richard E. Sincere, Jr.
Guest Writer

The U.S. Supreme Court has accepted an appeal from the Boy Scouts of America in a New Jersey case that made national headlines last summer. In a unanimous decision, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled in Dale v. BSA that the Boy Scouts could not exclude gay men and boys from membership or employment. The Garden State court rejected the Boy Scouts' claim that such exclusion was required by their moral code, and thus protected by the First Amendment.

There have been many comments made on both sides of this issue. Liberals abhor the Boy Scouts' policy of discrimination. Conservatives tend to believe that discrimination against gay people is justified regardless of the circumstances. (There are exceptions, of course, in the opinions of members of both groups.) Yet almost every commentator seems to miss the point of why the New Jersey decision is pernicious, and why it is important that the U.S. Supreme Court hear this case and, ultimately, rule in favor of the Boy Scouts.

In a pluralistic society such as ours, there will never be perfect agreement about questions of personal morality, particularly sexual morality and intimate associations. There is still not universal approval, for instance, for religiously- or racially mixed marriages, even though no legal impediment to such unions exists. So, regardless of whether one approves or disapproves of the Boy Scouts' policy concerning gay members and employees, one should acknowledge their right to engage in expressive conduct that helps fulfill their aim to teach certain values.

The problem with the New Jersey court's ruling is that it tries to establish the principle that the government (in this case, the judiciary, but in another case it could be a legislature) can define for a private organization what that organization's beliefs are, and to decide for that organization how it may or may not act on those beliefs.

The New Jersey decision erodes the liberties of everyone — gay or straight, conservative or liberal, believers or non-believers — who wishes to associate with people who share certain values, beliefs, or points of view. It extends government power that already dictates who we may (or may not) employ, what wages we may accept from an employer, which customers we may choose for our products or services, and whom we may marry.

Any court decision that strengthens government at the expense of the individual deserves condemnation. It does not matter whether one favors the views of the Boy Scouts or disagrees with them. Unpopular views deserve protection from government interference; popular views do not need such protection.

The Boy Scouts of America is a private organization that should be allowed to set its own criteria for membership. Like many of my friends and colleagues, I disagree with the Boy Scouts' policy that excludes gays from membership and leadership positions. This is why it is important to encourage the efforts of those individuals and groups, such as gay former Scouts, who are trying to persuade the BSA to change its membership requirements voluntarily. Their attempts at moral suasion deserve commendation and support.

Some argue, of course, that we should be wary of any organization, which relies on taxpayers' money to subsidize its activities, asserting a right to discriminate. But the Boy Scouts' reliance on government varies widely from place to place, and in most cases it provides predominantly "private" space. (Over 60 percent of Cub Scout packs and Boy Scout troops are sponsored by churches. Direct government sponsorship of the Boy Scouts constitutes only a small fraction of the BSA's activities.) The question of whether taxpayers may or should subsidize the Boy Scouts is separate from whether the Boy Scouts have a right to engage in expressive conduct protected by the First Amendment. If taxpayers who are dissatisfied with the Boy Scouts' policies wish to end their limited subsidies on a community-by-community basis, that is their privilege as the ones who hold the purse-strings.

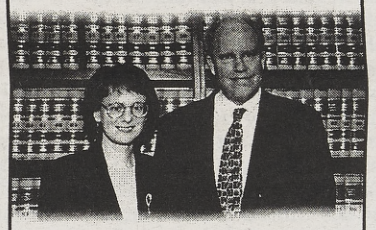
We should also note that the New Jersey Court's expansive definition of "public" could have detrimental effects on all citizens. We should protect the private against the intrusion of the "public." Is privacy to be respected only in our homes? Where is the limit at which we will be forced to associate with those who disagree with us or with those we find disagreeable?

If we do not stand up for the principle of freedom of association, soon we will see a homogenized civil society, in which every group looks like every other group, in which robust debate cannot take place because disagreement is forbidden.

Gay people, who remain a permanent minority in this country, cannot afford this kind of assault on liberty and privacy. Although it may seem counterintuitive, gay Americans should support the Boy Scouts in their fight for freedom of expression and freedom of association.

Chat | Personals | News | Travel | Entertainment | People
www.planetout.com | AOL Keyword: PlanetOut
PlanetOut.com
engage enjoy

BEEDE, PATRICK & EURETIG, LLP.
Bankruptcy
Wills
Trusts
Power of Attorney
Real Estate
FREE Consultation
927-8326

Bruce J. Hagel ESQ.
Elizabeth L. Gade ESQ.

We are attorneys who have helped hundreds of claimants obtain disability benefits from social security.
(916) 442-2952
1 (800) 464-2952
555 Capitol Mall, Suite 1425
Sacramento, CA 95814
Olson, Hagel, Leidigh, Waters & Fishburn, LLP

Law Offices of
Paula V. Tanner
15 years experience
• Consumer & Small Business Bankruptcy
• Business Reorganization
• Creditor Rights & Remedies
Evening Appointments Available
Free Consultation
1006 4th Street, Suite 302
446-8877

UNDER THE DOMES

The True Power of Allies

by Jonathan Zucker
Guest Writer

To be successful, the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender rights movement must learn from history. During the 1960s, the civil rights movement was made up of not only African-Americans, but also white allies, perhaps most visibly as part of the freedom rides. Unfortunately, too many people still view the movement for GLBT civil rights as a small minority pushing its own self-serving agenda. This is simply not true. As a straight man, I will be marching on April 30 to show my support for BGLT equality. Just as the civil rights movement had its allies, so does the LGBT movement. But it is imperative that its allies be visible and outspoken. We must make it perfectly clear that equality for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people is not simply a "special interest" cause, but part of a larger, universal quest for justice.

This quest for justice is not new, and it is not limited to the GLBT community. Taped to the wall at my first family reunion was a long piece of butcher paper with a carefully drawn family tree. My family tree is like most any other, except that any branch of the family that had not immigrated to the United States before 1930 was, with few exceptions, exterminated. The town from which my family comes was depopulated during World War II. Those who were not killed by the Germans were killed by the Russians and Ukrainians.

Atrocities like this do not occur in a vacuum - they are allowed, even encouraged, to happen. The majority must, at a minimum, stand silently by and watch while the rights of a few are abused or denied. This profound silence is, for me, the most salient characteristic of the Holocaust. As Elie Wiesel put it, "Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented." I knew from an early age that I could not stay silent in the face of oppression.

> "Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim."
>
> **Elie Wiesel**

I attended a very progressive high school. We studied — and were taught to condemn — racism, sexism, xenophobia and religious intolerance. However, we never discussed homophobia or the then 20-year-old modern BGLT rights movement. When I went to college, I was exposed to the LGBT rights movement and, over the course of four years, came to understand the pervasive power of homophobia and heterosexism, and the closet they create. I learned that discrimination in the workplace is, in most places, perfectly legal and the incredible burden that GLBT couples bear simply because they cannot be married. I witnessed the scourge of HIV and AIDS, the backlash against marriage rights, horrific and brutal hate crimes and a "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy in the military that has resulted in record numbers of witch hunts and discharges. And America stands idly by.

Homophobia is deeply rooted in our culture and our laws. Where cultural acceptance and tolerance of racism, anti-Semitism and sexism have fallen into public disfavor, most people still remain silent as the bisexual, gay, lesbian and transgender community is denigrated and discriminated against. In recent years, BGLT activists have made strides that three decades ago would have been thought unimaginable. However, where polls show that support of basic civil rights has climbed above 50 percent, that same majority still stands idly by as LGBT people are disempowered by constant harassment and derision.

I'll be marching on April 30th because I believe that it is vital that we stand together to resist oppression. Just as it is important for GLBT people to come out of the closet, allies must come out in support of queer rights. Allies must play an important, visible and meaningful part in the pursuit of equality and justice for the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community.

Why Can't Marriage Be Civil?

by Mary K. Stroube
Guest Writer

Whoever said there was separation of church and state in our government? It isn't so. Nowhere is it more obvious than in the current debate over the Knight Initiative, Proposition 22 on the November 2000 ballot that will limit marriage to a commitment between a man and a woman. Existing law already does the same thing, but apparently Senator Knight believes in overkill. He wants to go to the extent of actually amending the state constitution to put restrictive language in it, knowing it will be that much harder to change should California voters ever decide to broaden their concept of marriage.

There's been much press recently over the internal dynamics in Senator Knight's household: his son David is gay and his brother died of AIDS. His son has made public statements recently in opposition to the initiative and implied that the motivation is purely Senator Knight's inability to deal with the sexual orientation of his family members.

Senator Knight denies this, but he has estranged himself from his son and of all the serious matters affecting this state, he picks this one issue to bring before the voters. It does make one wonder why this issue and why now? California Family Code section 300 defines marriage as " ... a personal relation arising out of a civil contract between a man and a woman, to which the consent of the parties capable of making that contract is necessary. Consent alone does not constitute marriage.

Consent must be followed by the issuance of a license and solemnization...." The solemnization can be by a civil authority, such as a judge or justice of the peace, or by an ordained minister, priest or rabbi. In fact, there are ways in which a person, any adult — can be appointed for a day to have the authority to conduct a civil ceremony of marriage.

See MARRIAGE, pg.9

FOOD & WINE

38 Years Of Exceptionaly Good Food! And That's No Baloney...

by RandyHartley
Food Editor

Tony Baloney's, established in 1962, is Sacramento's first, and for good reasons, the longest surviving Submarine Sandwich establishment. Yes, there is a real Tony and he and his wife Dorothy and daughters Stephanie and Christina operate a very successful Italian sandwich and food restaurant at two different locations. I remember when my parents would talk of the good food at Tony Baloney's and I am so glad that my friend Joseph recently introduced me to the restaurant.

There are no fancy table clothes or that sort of thing at Tony Baloney's but the atmosphere is very friendly, the place is clean and the food is exceptionally good. There is just something very special about a locally owned and operated small business. Hot sandwiches include his signature sandwich pepper steak, meatball, Italian sausage, pastrami, and a mild or hot beef sausage. Cold sandwiches include Italian cold cuts, ham & cheese, salami and cheese and American cold cuts. Large sandwiches are $6.25 and small ones are $4.90. In addition they have specialty sandwiches with roast beef and turkey for $5.30. The pepper steak is the most popular but I found that each is equally delicious.

The dinners include spaghetti or rigatoni and meatball and ravioli dishes including delicious cheese bread and salad starting at $7.20. In my opinion, Tony's marinara sauce is one of the very best around. There are specials each day for lunch and dinner. The Lasagna special was particularly light in texture and excellent.

The homemade soup is hot, soothing and excellent. Their Minestrone soup is authentic and wonderful! Pizza is also on the menu and they are great! Tony makes his own crust that is noticeably lighter than most that are available at the popular parlors. By the way, all food is available for take out. Beverages include beer, wine, Margarita's and Daiquiris!

Although, not on the menu. Dorothy suggested that we have Tony make a dish with Alfredo sauce. When requested, Tony warned us that his Alfredo sauce was not on the menu. What we received was the best spinach and cheese tortellini with Alfredo sauce we have ever tasted. His sauce is absolutely the best! Joseph and I are now trying to duplicate this exceptional sauce. I suggest that you get to know the man, and that is not difficult to do, and see if he won't fix this specialty for you...

Not that Tony, does not have enough to do. He makes and bottles his own outstanding "Tony Baloney" salad dressings that you can buy at the restaurant or at Raley's or Bel Air. I recommend his dressings highly.

Tony is a one of a kind person. He is energetic; knowledgeable about the food industry as well as any thing else you want to talk about. I would classify Tony as an icon in his business.

Locations and Hours for Tony Baloney's:

5059 College Oak Drive *(near Auburn Boulevard) Tony is at this location most of the time. 334-0274, Monday-Thursday 10am to 9pm, Friday and Saturday 10am to 10pm and Sunday 12 Noon to 6pm.*

2202 Del Paso Blvd. *922-2504, Monday-Thursday 10:30am to 4pm, Fridays 10:30am to 5pm, closed Saturday and Sunday.*

Why Can't Marriage Be Civil?

From pg. 8

Various religious beliefs and denominations have imbued this civil contract with even greater significance and have attached certain restrictions and expectations to this relationship, but those beliefs are above and beyond what the law provides. Marriage under the law means that two individuals, traditionally a man and a woman, "... contract toward each other obligations of mutual respect, fidelity, and support." (Family Code §§720) That's it. There's nothing about religion, nothing about having or raising a family, nothing about procreation, nothing else. Since when did marriage become a religious issue, which is supposed to be reflected in our laws? Marriage is a civil contract.

All of the rights and responsibilities that flow from marriage come from the legal commitment under the law, not from any church or denomination. Rights such as financial support, tax benefits, medical choices, inheritance and the like all flow from the legal act of marriage, not from any religious ceremony. So why are some religious denominations so determined to limit this contract to only two people of the opposite gender? Because this initiative is nothing more than an attempt to impose specific religious beliefs upon all members of society. Is this a calculated effort to make the beliefs of some become the laws of all?

If marriage is a contract, and under the law that's all it is, then what is the purpose, other than the imposition of religious standards, of restricting a legal contract to two people of the opposite gender? In fact, the reasoning of the religious supporters of this initiative does not hold up when they promote this constitutional amendment as a means to protect "the family." I have never had an adequate explanation of exactly how allowing two gay people to enter into a legally binding contract would destroy "the family." This does not take away from heterosexual marriage. It only allows more people to commit to legal responsibility for another person.

If this is about the old argument of families and marriages being for procreation, there are several realities that the proponents of this initiative overlook: one doesn't have to be married to procreate, our world suffers from overpopulation already and gay and lesbians couples can have children through alternative means and many have children from previous heterosexual marriages.

Every time this argument is presented about destruction of the family, I am reminded of the commentary by Representative Barney Frank of Massachusetts, an openly gay member of Congress, who says he just can't envision all these straight men waking up some morning, sitting bolt upright in bed, slapping their foreheads and saying, "Geez, I could have had a man!" Gay marriages won't make people gay. Gay marriages won't take away from the heterosexual relationships. If the religious proponents of this measure deplore the seeming lack of stability in gay relationships, then why not let two people of the same gender be committed legally to a contract obligating them to mutual respect, fidelity, and support?

> Marriage under the law means that two individuals, traditionally a man and a woman, "... contract toward each other obligations of mutual respect, fidelity, and support."
>
> **California Family Code**

The answer may be simple: the proponents of this initiative aren't only worried about preserving the concept of family, they are adamantly opposed to sharing any of the benefits of marriage. That is where the mean-spirited nature of this proposed amendment becomes apparent. This is an effort to make sure that a segment of our population, perhaps more than 10% of our population, does not enjoy any of the benefits that go along with assuming the responsibilities of marriage. If a person is willing to commit, for example, to undertake the financial support of his or her marital partner and be responsible for that support legally, then why should there not be a comparable benefit, such as the guarantee to inherit the spouse's property upon death?

If this proposed amendment is not about religion, then it is very much about money. If it is not about religion or money, then it is very much about denying equal rights to certain members of our society. A right is not a special right unless it gives someone more than others get. A right that confers the same benefits is an equal right. The only people now with special rights are heterosexuals.

If the proponents of this initiative are truly acting on the basis of their spiritual beliefs, then why not offer two options for marriage: a civil marriage conducted under the authority of a judge or magistrate that would allow two people, same sex or opposite sex, to enter into the contract allowed by law and a religious marriage conducted by a clergy person under the rules and tenets of the couples' faith, blessed by that spiritual group and with any added responsibilities to which the couple wishes to commit beyond those required in a civil marriage.

As it is, a number of people are married by a judge or magistrate or similar civil functionary because they do not believe in or feel the need for the inclusion of a religious dimension to their relationship. Why not offer this option to any two adults who wish to make the commitment created under the law? If a church does not wish to bless or sanction certain unions, then they would not be required to do so. If some denominations or faiths choose to bless same-sex unions, then that could be done. In the process, no one is denied the right to enter into a contract to care for another human being.

Vermont has just ruled that the same benefits of marriage must be extended to same-sex couples as to opposite sex couples. In so doing, the Vermont Supreme Court concluded that a state must afford all of its citizens "the common benefit, protection, and security of the law." There is nothing in the decision about special rights or greater rights, just about all citizens having the common benefit of the law.

The Knight Initiative, however, is not about equal rights. It is about denying rights to certain members of society based upon the religious beliefs of some, not even all, of our population. The Knight Initiative is unfair. It is anti-equality. It is wrong.

The Author

Mary K. Stroube is an attorney in private practice in Woodland where she works primarily with therapists and mental health agencies on legal and ethical issues. She is a lecturer at California State University, Sacramento, in Counselor Education and part-time faculty at Professional School of Psychology. She is Executive Director of the Capital Institute for the Study of Public Policy, Mental Health and Ethics.

Sacramento AIDS Foundation to Host Academy Awards Gala

Sunday, March 26, 2000 will be the event of the new millennium. Experience the magic of the Academy Awards as the Hyatt Regency is transformed into a star-studded Hollywood movie set, complete with searchlights and paparazzi.

Mingle with celebrities including Anita Page, Randall Malone and Academy Award winner Margaret O'Brien.

Enjoy an opulent black-tie gala: a lavish buffet dinner, hosted bar, dancing to Tongue 'N' Chic and a live simulcast of the Academy Awards party officially sanctioned by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. All proceeds benefit the Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 448-2437 ext 224.

Fred Harvey Shares...

So much of our stuff is serious, Fred Harvey of Woodland thought you might enjoy a bit of real-life humor for a slight respite. Here are some actual label instructions found on the packaging on consumer goods:

On a Sears hair dryer:
"Do not use while sleeping."
(Gee, that's the only time I have to work on my hair!)

On a bag of Fritos:
"You could be a winner! No purchase necessary. Details Inside."
(The shoplifter special)

On a bar of Dial soap:
"Directions: Use like regular soap."
(And that would be...how??)

On Tesco's Tiramisu dessert: (printed on the bottom of the box)
"Do not turn upside down."
(Too late! You lose!)

On packaging for Rowenta iron:
"Do not iron clothes on body."
(But wouldn't that save more time???)

On Nytol sleep aid:
"Warning: may cause drowsiness."
(One would hope!)

On a Korean kitchen knife:
"Warning: keep out of children."
(Or pets! What's for dinner?)

On a string of Chinese-made Christmas lights:
"For indoor or outdoor use only."
(As opposed to outer space or underground.)

On a Japanese food processor:
"Not to be used for the other use"
(Hmmm, now I am curious)

On an American Airlines packet of nuts:
"Instructions: open packet, eat nuts."
(What is going on here?)

On a Swedish chainsaw:
"Do not attempt to stop chain with your hands or genitals."
(As if you try to stop 'anything' with your genitals - clearly my favorite)

On a child's superman costume:
"Wearing this garment does not enable you to fly."
(Way to destroy a universal childhood fantasy!)

..... and so it goes!

"Six Women With Brain Death 2000" Rolls Into The New Millennium

The Sacramento hit Six Women With Brain Death, at The Studio Theatre, rolls into 2000 with a few outrageous changes just right for a new millennium.

This fast paced, irreverent and hilarious musical comedy pokes fun at the insanity's of modern life from relationships, to marriage, to motherhood, to sex, politics, religion and popular culture. So, as we roll into 2000, we ask, "We're Ok, but, are you Y2K compliant"?

As time and current events keep rolling on, so does the "food for fodder" that feeds life into this hilarious show.

Top Shelley Russell, Jacqueline Shultz, Carol Miranda. Jo Pierce, Rachel Songer, Chris Hille. Six Women With Brain Death 2000.

So, if you haven't been to see it for a year or so... come on back, and if you haven't seen this musical at all, try the Six Women With Brain Death 2000 version.

The talented ensemble of eight brain-dead women perform in various roles, so depending on which night you happen to catch the performance, it always makes for an evening of surprises.

Six Women With Brain Death opened in October 1996 and has grown to become Sacramento's largest running hit show ever. This production has gained many, many loyal fans that come to see the show over and over again.

Brain Death runs Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8pm and Sundays at 7pm. Ticket prices range from $12-$16. Thursdays are Ladies Nite at The Studio Theatre, and there is a $1 off and Sundays are "Senior Sundays" and the tickets are $10. Info: 446-2668

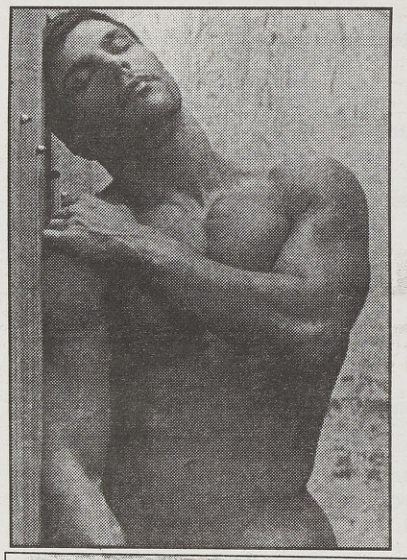
Date For the Matson-Mowder Murder Trial to Be Set in April

Benjamin Matthew Williams, 31, and his brother James Tyler Williams, 29, will not be having their day in court anytime soon. A Shasta County judge has recently decided that a trial date for the two brothers will be set in early April.

The Williams brothers are charged with robbing and murdering 40 year old Winfield Mowden and 50 year old Gary Matson. The couple was found shot to death in July of last year. In addition to this crime, the elder Williams confessed that he was involved in the burning of three Sacramento synagogues, with help from a white supremacist group.

In a jailhouse interview, Benjamin Williams admitted to gathering the gasoline and firebombs used to set the fires. He said that it was he and two other men that set the extensive fire that burned the synagoges Congregration B'nai Israel. While all of this was taking place, two other teams were setting fires at the Congregation Beth Shalom in Carmichael and Kenesset Israel Torah Center in the Arden area. Williams claims that his younger brother, James had nothing to do with three Sacramento fires.

As for the two murders, both of the Williams brothers were arrested in Yuba City, which is just north of Sacramento, after Matson and Mowder's bodies were found in their Happy Valley home. When the brothers finally come to trial, Shasta County prosecutors will be seeking the death penalty. Even with the threat of a possible lethal injection in his future if he is found guilty, Benjamin Williams isn't worried about death. He believes that it is more important for his beliefs to reach a mass audience.



Aids Benefit Calendar

FEWER THAN 3000 REMAIN

Several AIDS/HIV agencies received contributions from the proceeds of the sale of the Year 2000 AIDS Benefit Calendar: Friends of the HNRC, an associated project with the University of California, San Diego; Fraternity House, a residential care facility for people with AIDS in north San Diego County; and the Client's Services Programs at ActionAIDS-Philadelphia. More than $465,000 in proceeds from the AIDS Benefit Calendar has been contributed since 1990.

The AIDS Benefit Calendar 2000 is extraordinary. The Calendar features thirteen all new black and white photographs—sensual and artistic male nudes and intimate images of male couples—that represent the broad spectrum of quality imagery associated with Award Winning photographic artist Jeff Palmer.

To order-$14.95 each plus $4 shipping: Jeff Palmer Originals, Box 230034 LD, Encinitas, CA 92023-0034. For info: 760-744-8360

MGW is accepting applications for:
Ad Sales - Full Time
Fax, email, mail or drop off.
441-6397
Fax: 441-6422
www.info@mgwnews.com
1725 L Street, 95814

Get the Right Tool for the Job

Give yourself the gift of pleasure with a visit to the Bay Area's "clean, well-lighted place" for sex toys, books and videos. From enlightening advice to electrifying erotica, our friendly and knowledgeable staff can help you find the perfect fit!

Good Vibrations

1210 Valencia St., San Francisco (415) 974-8980
2504 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley (510) 841-8987

Open 11am-7pm Sunday-Thursday, 11am-8pm Friday & Saturday

Call 1-800-BUY-VIBE for a free catalog

www.goodvibes.com

Sacramento's largest...
Have you called this month?
interactivemale
Proudly connecting the most men
[916] 489-3737
Quickee response and retrieval line
(no membership required): 1-900-505-2323 $1.99/min
Enter Free trial code #6144
Starting at 8¢/min. Callers must be 18+. 24 hour customer service available at 1-888-257-5798. Browse at www.interactivemale.com

Robert Hamm
Valley Perenials
1701 Quiggle Rd.
Herald, CA 95632
(NEAR STOCKTON)
209.748.5886
Open Wed.-Sat.
9am - 3 pm
March 16-19: SF Flower Show
Cow Palace-We'll Be There

Dale Scholl Dance/Art

Dale Scholl Dance/Art continues its eighteenth season with Rhythm & Roots, a concert of new dance works inspired by North American indigenous and cultural music styles. The program premieres Wednesday, February 23 at the CSUS Dancespace. Additional performances are scheduled for February 24, 25,26, and March 3, 4,10, and 11. Info: 451-3732.

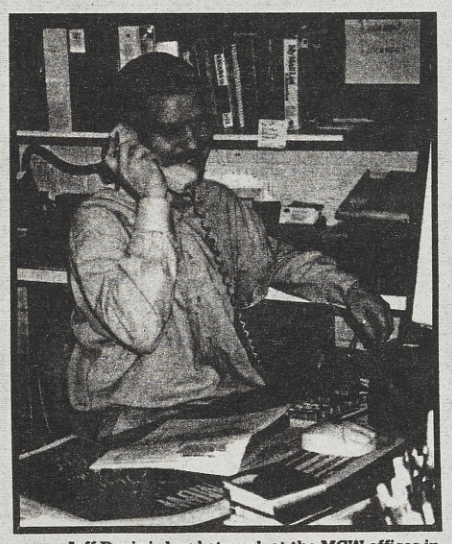
A Long Overdue Introduction!

MGW
MOM GUESS WHAT NEWSPAPER

By Jeffery A. Davis
Assistant to the Editor

Well, it's time to share with you, just who "the person who answers the phone at MGW" is! I have taken this approach, since I speak with some of you often, or at some point you might talk to me. So here is a little about me.

After moving to Sacramento a year ago from Redding, there is a tremendous difference in communities. So far I have enjoyed learning the ways of life "Sacramento" style. And have learned a great deal about the variation in gay culture and community life. On a more professional level, before my employment in Sacramento with MGW, I was employed as an Assistant Administrator of a Health Facility in Northern California. And during this time, the President of The Lambda Alliance, a non-profit organization created at Shasta Community College (let me tell you how controversial that was). For being twenty-two years old, I've had some great life experiences.



Jeff Davis is hard at work at the MGW offices in downtown Sacramento. Next time you phone us, you'll know just whom you're taking to!

In moving to Sacramento, I have high hopes to excel, both professionally, and personally, and what a wonderful start!

And now the most interesting part, MGW Newspaper and myself. I have always set out to find a way to make a substantial difference in the community, as well as educate others and myself. And now along with Linda Birner (MGW's Owner/Editor) I am doing exactly that! I found myself intrigued by MGW and Linda's contribution to the gay and lesbian community, and found that I could not have placed myself in a better position. I look forward to bringing many positive additions to MGW and working close with Linda, and the community to do exactly that. And in reference to the rumors, I can assure you that MGW is not going anywhere, is not for sale, and we will continue to grow as Sacramento's Premiere Gay and Lesbian Newspaper providing you with honest and ethical journalism.

I look forward to great experiences with MGW and Sacramento GLBT community! We are always interested in your ideas, comments, or changes you would like to see take place at MGW. So write it down, e-mail, mail, fax, or stop by with it and say hi and introduce yourself! I am excited to be here in Sacramento, and looking forward to making a difference.

Danielle's
Creperie and Gallery

Great Crepes, French Onion Soup
Salads, Sandwiches
and Delicious Desserts!
972-1911
In Arden Town Center
At Watt Ave & Fair Oaks Blvd

20 % off with this coupon

NO on KNIGHT www.NoOnKnight.org It's divisive. It's intrusive. It's unfair.
NO on KNIGHT www.NoOnKnight.org It's divisive. It's intrusive. It's unfair.
NO on KNIGHT www.NoOnKnight.org It's divisive. It's intrusive. It's unfair.

Protect yourself
and your assets!
BANKRUPTCY
- *Friendly*
- *Affordable*
- *Personal service*
- *Easier than you think!*

Brian D. Gantman
Attorney At Law
FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION
1006 4th St. 6th Floor • 446-7096

TAX TIME
CALL NOW!
ROXANNE
HARDENBURGH
(916)971-9315
or(800)598-9646
Malkasian
Accountancy
WWW.MALKASIAN.COM

A Suggestion From A Straight Friend Of MGW:

I'm always surprised when I stumble across little pockets of homophobia in Sacramento's straight population. Granted, it's not the kind of attitude that necessarily results in violence - but it's homophobia, nevertheless.

Which got me thinking. Is there anything the gay community can do to begin to eradicate the fear of "differentness" that underlies such thinking?

One answer, I think, involves occasionally getting out of the comfortable gay "ghetto", and getting involved in the straight community, generally through volunteer work. No militancy - just working side by side with someone whose volunteer interests are the same as yours. Pretty hard to fear or hate someone who you've worked with, and whose good qualities make sexual orientation the irrelevancy that it is!

I'm sure the **One Shoe Crew** in West Sacramento is still wading though the rubble left by the recent vandalism they experienced. **The Friends of the Library** are looking for volunteers to sort books on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at the McKinley Library in preparation for their May sale. Both **City and County Animal Control** could use help in their volunteer programs. And there are dozens more.

The elimination of homophobia in one person can radiate out and affect dozens of that person's friends and family. And you are in a position to make that change take place.

- A Straight Friend Of The Community

OUT LIVING/OUT ON THE TOWN

Exercise Is The Way To Lose Weight

By Chip Conrad
MGW Staff

First things first: the photo from last issue is a client of mine named Clark Marshall who used to work at Midtown Athletic Club with me. He's a buff-stud-in-training who starts each workout by "petting the kitty" (don't ask). So kudos, Clark, hopefully this will improve your love life.

This picture is not Clark. It's from a shoot I did with local photographer, and client of mine, Louise Marr, who's having a show at the Jeffrey Building on 27th and I. They've just started doing Second Saturday shows and their great. Local artist and gym stud Tony Ferrante will be having a show there in March. Check it out.

Last issue I discussed intensity vs. volume training. Quality is always more important than quantity. Everyone wants a tight tummy, perferably with those little bumps creating that "washboard" look. I've got two words: *Eat Better*. You do three hundred crunches a day? *Great*. Won't work. But you hang from those straps and lift your legs up around your ears untill you pass out? It just isn't effective.

Most of us have good, firm

MGWPhoto/Louise Marr

Chip Conrad shows his way of getting some excercise, in this artistic photo.

abdominal muscles, they're just hiding. It's the fat that turns our six packs into kegs. No amount of ab exercises will reduce that fat, despite what Susan Somer's infomercials say.

Exercise in general helps burn fat, but we don't get to choose from where. If you're like many, the last place it wants to leave is the belly. So eating right will do two things, not let anymore fat collect there, and to help burn the fat that is there.

Here are three basics:

1) Breakfast. Never skip it. This turns on the metabolism after a night of slowing down.

2) Drink water often.

3) Eat small meals often. You can eat more overall during the day if you spread it out into smaller meals about every three hours or so.

You know what you should be eating, you've heard it you're whle life. Veggies good, fatty foods bad. Don't waste time with fad diets, especially that Atkin's joke. Just plan and organoze you're eating!!

Questions, comments, debate, Email me at Conrad@emrl.com.

Service With A Smile

Service with a smile... three volunteers helped serve pancakes, sausage, and scrambled eggs during the January 15th fundraising breakfast at the Mercantile.

Bob, Jim and Rick volunteer at the Mercantile's fundraising breakfast.

Bob, Jim and Rick were part of the volunteer staff working that morning to raise money for Positive Gourmet. Members of Sacramento Valley Leathermen and other volunteers raised over $300 in support of food services provided to clients of the Positive Gourmet.

Respectfully Serving Your Community

Nancy Myers

Attorney at Law

485-4449

Since 1980

FREE Initial Consultation

Specializing in DUIs (Sacramento County only)
I can help keep you out of jail, save your license & make ALL your court appearances for you

2330 Butano Drive • Suite 205
(located near Watt & El Camino)

PILLARS REPRISE

• A Decade Later •

Saturday | March 11, 2000

Hyatt Regency
1209 L Street
Sacramento

6:30 - No Host Cocktails
7:30 - Dinner

$27 per Person

Tickets: By Phone (Credit Card only): Hartley House (916) 447-7829

In Person at: Posh Shoppe Florists, 2580 Fair Oaks Blvd.
Gifted Gardener, 2122 J Street

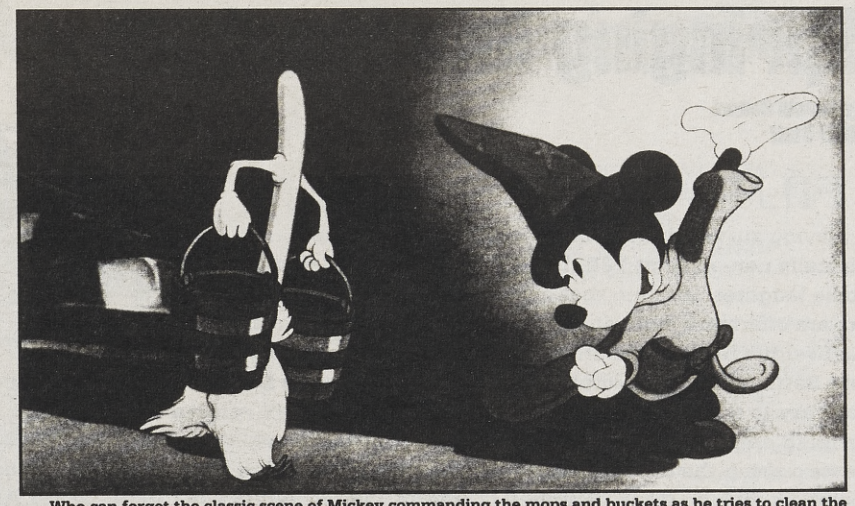
Proceeds to benefit the Sacramento Men's Chorus CD 2000 Fund

NOTE: Limited Seating. No tickets will be sold at the door. Ticket Cutoff will be 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 8, 2000.

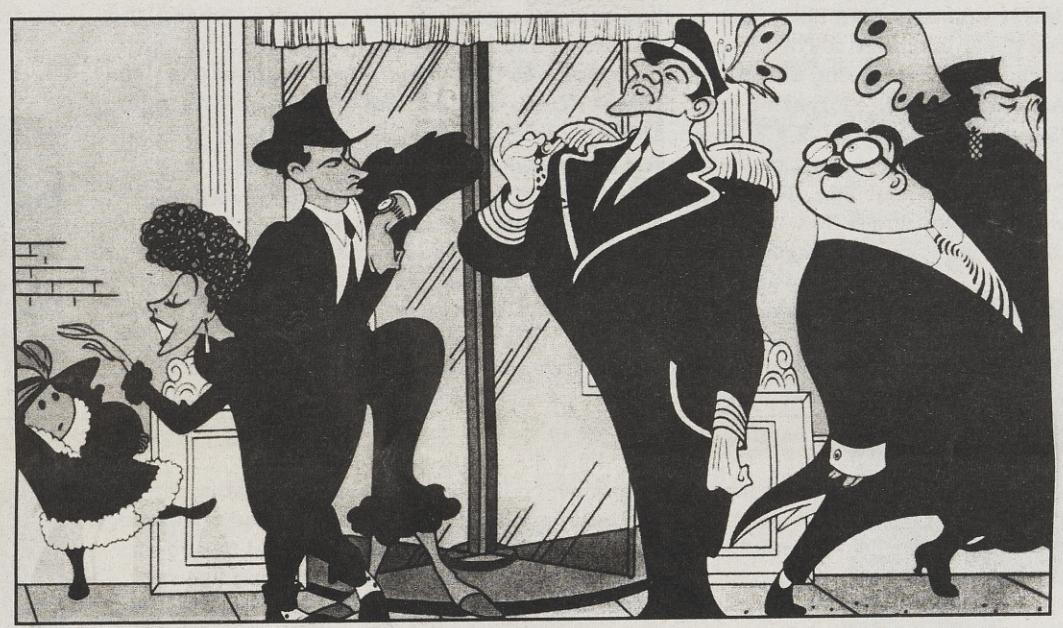
Allegro Non Troppo

by Stefan Gruenwedel
MGW/Staff

FANTASIA 2000



Who can forget the classic scene of Mickey commanding the mops and buckets as he tries to clean the sorcerer's mansion. The only original scene from Fantasia to be included in this year's Fantasia/2000, Mickey is sure to bring a smile to your face...no matter what your age.



Taking inspiration from the artistic style of Al Hirschfeld and the music of Gershwin, director Eric Goldberg weaves a whimsical tale of Manhattan in the Jazz Age in "Rhapsody in Blue," a new segments created for Walt Disney Pictures' FANTASIA/2000.

The idea of setting animation to classical music may not be new, but rarely has it been accomplished with such popular success as it was in 1940 with Walt Disney's FANTASIA. For the first time, audiences were treated to an unforgettable concert-like, cinematic experience that stretched the limits of contemporary animation and recording technology.

Sure, the music itself was modified (purists would say bastardized) to suit the movie's time constraints—this was not a six-hour movie, after all—and the imagery chosen to accompany the musical selections may have dismayed some highbrow types (lava and dinosaurs? dancing hippos? Mickey Mouse?!), but there's no mistaking the impact that FANTASIA made on generations of moviegoers—future visual and musical artists alike.

This "modern update" is more technological than conceptual or thematic. There is nothing essentially "modern" or "up-to-date" about the stories told in FANTASIA/2000. All these new shorts could have appeared in the original. Indeed, some of them were conceptualized forty years ago when Walt Disney envisioned FANTASIA as an annually revised release, a continual work in progress.

What is new this time is, of course, the sheer size of the IMAX screen and the "dynamic digital sound" that envelops the audience. Back in the 1940s, stereophonic sound was new. This time, it's not a concert hall that's being reproduced; it's your brain they're glomming onto.

Beethoven's "Symphony No. 5" begins the set. Director Pixote Hunt's combination of computerized texture maps and hand-drawn pastels yields a stunning, fast-paced (three minutes long) confrontation between butterfly-like "good" shapes and bat-like "evil" shapes. The small, fluttery details are so numerous, it's no wonder Hunt took two years to create the story and its abstract, yet utterly recognizable, imagery. It's a great way to begin the film.

When director Hendel Butoy heard Respighi's "Pines of Rome" he thought of something very different than the composer did: flying humpback whales. This sequence itself is worth the price of admission. It's majestic, dramatic, mysterious, and even touching. It also proves that animation's possibilities are truly endless.

Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" is not only a marvelously witty interpretation of the composer's work, but a lasting tribute to Al Hirschfeld's famous celebrity caricatures. Set in 1930s Manhattan, director Eric Goldberg's piece follows the varied, yet linked, paths of some diverse characters, all of whom yearn for something they haven't got (a job, a creative outlet, quality time with mom and dad)—until the end.

Shostakovich's "Piano Concerto No. 2, Allegro, Opus 102" seemed to fit perfectly with Hans Christian Andersen's story "The Steadfast Tin Soldier" when director Butoy read it. The result is a romantic story set in the disturbing midnight world of brought-to-life toys. A bit far-fetched, this fairy tale is ultimately forgettable and not very compelling.

Dukas' "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" with Mickey Mouse, directed by James Algar, is the only sequence held over from Disney's original FANTASIA. Its retention is clear: not only is it probably the most memorable number in the original movie, but it was also the progenitor of the whole concept. First made as a short film in 1938, "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" proved that the concept of scoring a cartoon with "serious," orchestral music could work. Unfortunately, however, this one sequence that "started it all" actually looks the worst of all of them on the IMAX screen. It simply wasn't made to be enlarged. Even so, it's fun to see this well-known short again.

Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance, Marches 1, 2, 3, and 4" gives Donald Duck a chance to share the movie with Mickey Mouse. Here Donald plays Noah's assistant who has to help shepherd all of "God's creatures" into the Ark. Like Mickey in his apprentice's role, Donald doesn't say anything, so the comedy lies in his visual mannerisms, not his famous voice. Aside from various antics with the animals—two by two, large and small—Donald loses track of Daisy throughout the Flood's 40 days and 40 nights, during which there is much anguishing over each others' fate. As a result, director Francis Glebas' sequence is the weakest of the bunch. The music is hackneyed, the story is corny, and the ending is (perhaps fittingly) pompous.

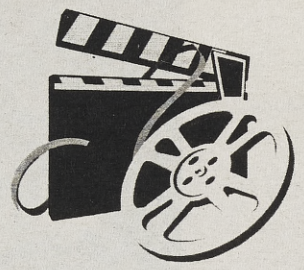
Stravinski's "Firebird Suite" brought ideas of Nature's birth, destruction, death, and rebirth to the imagination of identical-twin directors Gaetan and Paul Brizzi. Although it may be pure coincidence, this last scene's imagery seems the most contemporary. More deliberate, apparently, is the similarity between the volcano's destruction of the surrounding forest and Mount St. Helens' explosion and consequent blighting of the surrounding landscape. The Brizzis' ideas may be all-too-familiar, but their selection is a fitting end to this outstanding collection.

FANTASIA/2000 plays through April 30th at the Esquire IMAX Theatre in Sacramento. The official Web site: www.fantasia2000.com, which includes information about the making of the movie and several interactive areas.

ENTERTAINMENT: HOLLYWOOD IN REVIEW

Springing Into Laughter

by Gerald Semas
MGW Staff



FILM -

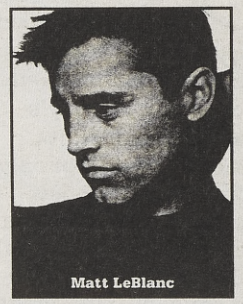
Having survived the doomsayers predictions and a virtually non-existent Y2K threat, I think well all deserve some laughter. Meeting that casual prescription, filmmakers are offering a number of comedies in the weeks ahead. An overdue reunion of Ruthless People stars, **Danny DeVito and Bette Midler** hits screens Feb. 18 with **Drowning Mona**. The project is a comedy contrary to the image of it's director, **Nick Gomez**, a TV veteran who's best known for helming episodes of Oz and The Sopranos. The story involves a murder with 400 suspects making the case less of a who done it and more of a who did not. Other cast members include **Neve Campbell** (Three To Tango), **Jamie Lee Curtis**, **Casey Affleck** (Chasing Amy) and **William Fichtner** (Go). ▼▼▼

Director **Mike Nichols** (The Birdcage) has the new comedy What Planet Are You From opening March 3rd. Written by **Michael Leeson** and **Garry Shandling**, the story sounds like an episode of 3rd Rock from the Sun, as it examines how beings from another planet can blend in on Earth. The ensemble features a number of actors with strong comedy backgrounds, including Shandling, **John Goodman** (Roseanne), **Greg Kinnear** (As Good As It Gets), **Linda Fiorentino** (Men in Black), **Camryn Manheim** (Jeffrey) and **Nora Dunn** (Saturday Night Live). ▼▼▼ Another March 3rd release has been announced with two different names but don't be surprised if it comes out using a totally changed name. Chain of Fools aka Shiny New Enemies features **Steve Zahn** (Happy Texas) as a barber whose misfortune ends when finds a stolen treasure of ancient coins. He soon learns that his unlucky streak has simply expanded when he ends up on the wrong side of the law and in love with **Salma Hayek** (54), who is investigating the crime. The cast includes **Craig Ferguson** (The Drew Carey Show), **Lara Flynn Boyle** (The Practice), **Jeff Goldblum** (Powder), **David Hyde Pierce** (Frasier), **Orlando Jones** (Mad TV) and **Elijah Wood** (Deep Impact). ▼▼▼

Rupert Everet

Laughs and tears are in store with the release of The Next Best Thing. Gay director **John Schlesinger** (Cold Comfort Farm) guides this story of a woman who relies on her Gay best friend to father her child. Thanks to **Rupert Everett**'s (My Best Friend's Wedding) sperm donation, he and real life pal **Madonna** spend five years raising an adorable child only to see their tight arrangement crumble when the material girl falls for **Benjamin Bratt** (Law & Order). Who could resist? Others cast members include **Illeana Douglas** (Action), **Stacy Edwards** (Primary Colors), **Neil Patrick Harris** (Stark Raving Mad), and **Lynn Redgrave** (Gods and Monsters). ▼▼▼

Recent Golden Globe Winner, **Hillary Swank** (Take It Like A Man) joins **Greg Kinnear** (As Good As It Gets) in The Gift for director **Sam Raimi** (Hercules: The Legendary Journeys). The story, from Oscar winner **Billy Boy Thornton**, tells of a woman with ESP, **Cate Blanchett** (The Talented Mr. Ripley), who is asked to help find a missing person. **Keanu Reeves** (The Matrix) plays Swank's husband, Kinnear plays a high school principal. Reeves is mulling over his next role, that of an ex porn star in a film titled The Ottoman Empire. The project is described as a political satire with Reeves as an adult film performer whose new life as a family man is jeopardized by a blackmailer whose demand is that he have sex with the First Lady. Yes, you read that right. When the President isn't doing it, who do you call? ▼▼▼


Matt LeBlanc

Claire Danes

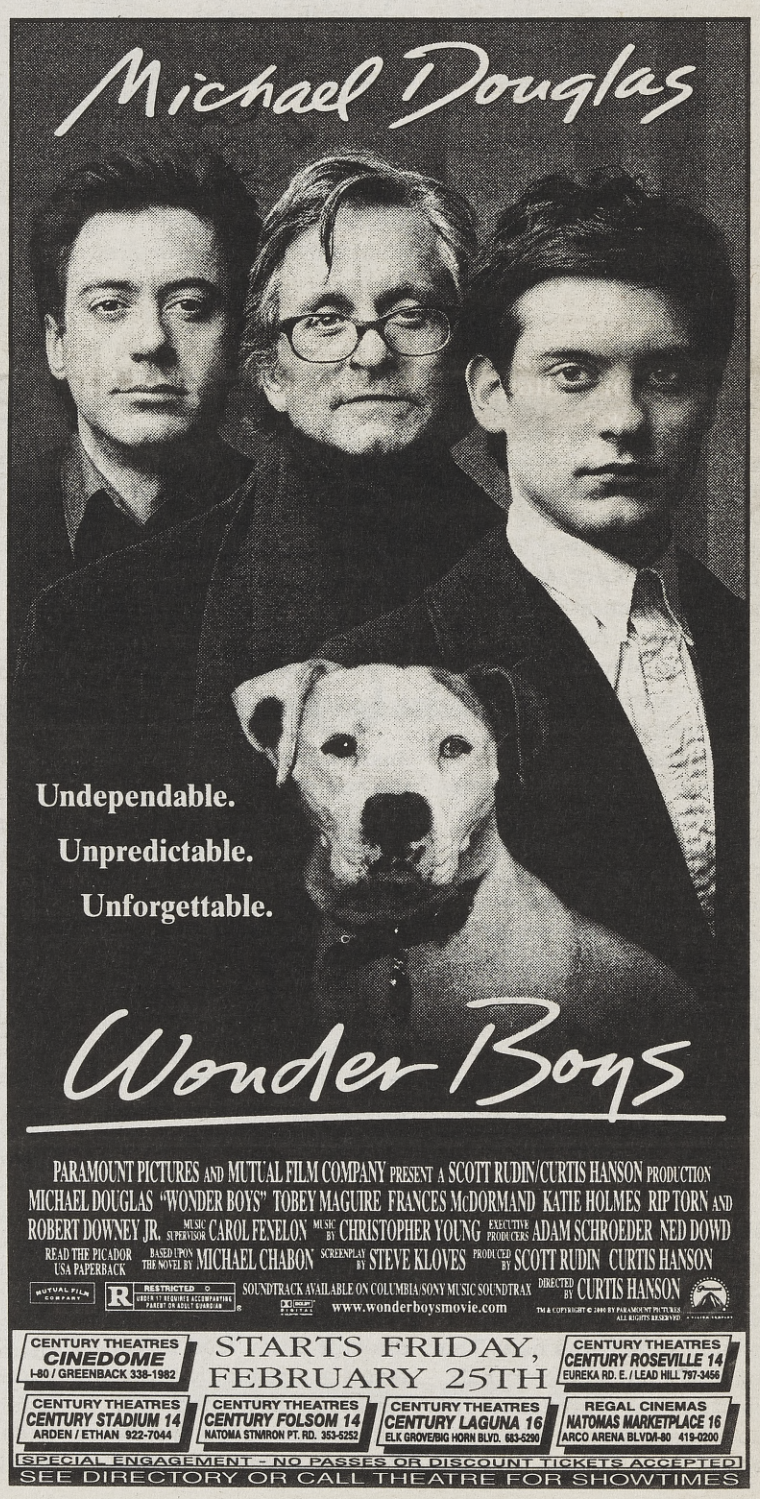
Matt LeBlanc has been cast as **Lucy Liu**'s boyfriend in the upcoming remake of Charlie's Angels. The Friends cast member will play an action-film star who is oblivious to the fact that his girl is a real life crime fighter. ▼▼▼ **Russell Crowe** (The Sum of Us) plays a depression-era circus side-show freak in **Jodie Foster**'s film **Flora Plum**. Crowe's character will have a heart of gold as he helps penniless waif **Claire Danes** to become a star. ▼▼▼

THEATRE -

B.D. Wong (And the Band Played On) appears in an upcoming off-Broadway production of Oedipus Rex starring **Al Pacino**. This latest version of the Sophocles tragedy also stars **Dianne Wiest**, **David Strathairn**, and **Ruby Dee**. ▼▼▼ British comedian **Eddie Izzard** (Dressed To Kill), is touring his new show Circles before making his Big Apple debut in April. His one man show of unusual and intellectual musings will reach Boston audiences March 7 - 11, moving to Chicago March 14-25, Philadelphia March 28-April 1 with a New York premiere set for early April. ▼▼▼ Former Cabaret star **Alan Cumming** has taken a break from acting assignments in order to take on reporting assignments. While awaiting rehearsals to begin on the Broadway revival of the Irish classic, The Playboy of the Western World, the actor attended recent Paris fashion shows to as a fashion reporter for **Marie Claire** magazine. His opinions on the new looks from the houses of Versace, Gautier, Ungaro, Dior, and LaCroix are expected in an upcoming issue. ▼▼▼ Former stars of the film The Birdcage, **Christine Baranski** and **Nathan Lane**, reteam in the Roundabout Theatre Company production of The Man Who Came to Dinner. The show plays at the Selwyn Theatre in June under the direction of **Jerry Zaks**. The comedy is a send up of the humorous and often acerbic New York intellectuals and literati comprising the historic Algonquin Round Table group of the '30s.

Said to be based on the real-life critic **Alexander Woollcott**, Lane's character is that of a cantankerous house guest convalescing from a broken hip. ▼▼▼

Please see SPRINGING, pg. 15

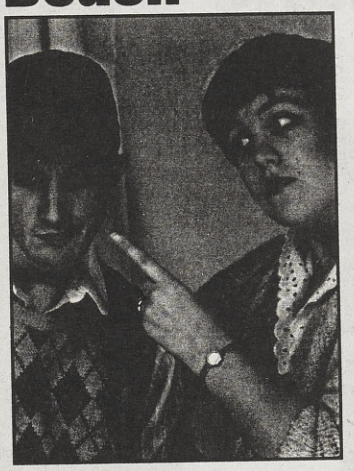

Michael Douglas
Undependable.
Unpredictable.
Unforgettable.
Wonder Boys
PARAMOUNT PICTURES AND MUTUAL FILM COMPANY PRESENT A SCOTT RUDIN/CURTIS HANSON PRODUCTION
MICHAEL DOUGLAS "WONDER BOYS" TOBEY MAGUIRE FRANCES McDORMAND KATIE HOLMES RIP TORN AND
ROBERT DOWNEY JR. MUSIC SUPERVISOR CAROL FENELON MUSIC BY CHRISTOPHER YOUNG EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS ADAM SCHROEDER NED DOWD
READ THE PICADOR USA PAPERBACK BASED UPON THE NOVEL BY MICHAEL CHABON SCREENPLAY BY STEVE KLOVES PRODUCED BY SCOTT RUDIN CURTIS HANSON
DIRECTED BY CURTIS HANSON
R RESTRICTED
SOUNDTRACK AVAILABLE ON COLUMBIA/SONY MUSIC SOUNDTRAX
www.wonderboysmovie.com
CENTURY THEATRES CINEDOME I-80 / GREENBACK 338-1982
STARTS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH
CENTURY THEATRES CENTURY ROSEVILLE 14 EUREKA RD. E. / LEAD HILL 797-3456
CENTURY THEATRES CENTURY STADIUM 14 ARDEN / ETHAN 922-7044
CENTURY THEATRES CENTURY FOLSOM 14 NATOMA STN/RON PT. RD. 353-5252
CENTURY THEATRES CENTURY LAGUNA 16 ELK GROVE/BIG HORN BLVD. 683-5290
REGAL CINEMAS NATOMAS MARKETPLACE 16 ARCO ARENA BLVD/I-80 419-0200
SPECIAL ENGAGEMENT - NO PASSES OR DISCOUNT TICKETS ACCEPTED
SEE DIRECTORY OR CALL THEATRE FOR SHOWTIMES

The Sacramento Women's Chorus Presents...

HOLLY NEAR

The Sacramento Women's Chorus proudly announces its first-ever appearance with a celebrity vocalist. On Saturday March 4th, Holly Near joins the chorus to celebrate "How Far We've Come: a Lifetime of Activism," with songs of protest and empowerment from the 60s onward, including several of her own. The concert starts at 8pm in the 24th St. Theatre, Sierra II Center 2791 24th Street. Tickets are $18 in advance, available from: The Gifted Gardner, 2122 J St., 447-5956; Howe Ave Box Office, 925 Howe Ave., 920-1121; & Armadillo Music, 205 F St., Davis, 758-8058. Info: 486-8985, or 481-3224 to leave a message.

Life's A Beach



"Brighton Beach Memoirs," Neil Simon's poignant comedy, opens at American River Theatre February 25th, and will run through March 5th, 2000. This autobiographical play is a portrait of Simon as a Brooklyn teenager full of fiercely fantasized dreams of baseball and dimly fantasized images of girls. Comedy and drama intertwine as Simon deftly tackles issues of sibling resentment, guilt-ridden parent-children relationships, and the hunger for dignity in a poverty-stricken world. Info. and reservations, 484-8234, or 484-8433.

Springing Into Laughter

TELEVISION-

From pg. 14

Former Wings star **Tim Daly** (The Object of My Affection) is on the go and the producers of his next potential series hope it never ends. The actor is working on a revival of The Fugitive for CBS which could debut this Fall. Daly will step into the role of the tortured Dr. Richard Kimble, a man consigned to an underground life as he hunts for his wife's real killer. ▼▼▼

Buffy the Vampire Slayer creator **Joss Whedon** has confirmed, via the show's website, that the relationship between Willow and new witch-in-training Tara will become one of more than just friends. To alleviate any misinterpretation Whedon wrote - "Willow and Tara's relationship is definitely romantic." And added "I can only promise two things for sure: We're not going to do an Ally or Party of 5 in which we promote the hell out of a same sex relationship for exploitation value that we take back by the end of the episode." ▼▼▼

The very sexy **Brian Unger**, former wiseguy-reporter on Comedy Central's The Daily Show will get his own series on E! Entertainment Television starting in June called Hollywood Off-Ramp. The half-hour parody series will be filmed in Vancouver. ▼▼▼ Law & Order vet digs for gold in After the Storm, a USA TV movie based on Ernest Hemingway's short story. Bratt will play an ethically challenged loner who, along with a wealthy friend, sets out to find sunken treasure in the Bahamas. What an idea, Benjamin Bratt and the Bahamas, sounds like Christmas comes early this year. ▼▼▼ **Rosie O'Donnell**, who hosts the 42nd Grammy awards February 23, has been confirmed as host for this year's 54th Annual Tony Awards when they return to Radio City Music Hall on June 4. Nominations will be announced May 8.

City Treasure
restaurant
In the heart of Midtown
18th & L
Lunch: Monday - Friday
Dinner: Every Night
Brunch: Sunday
1730 L Street
447-7380

TAYLORS MARKET
Featuring
Bird & Schell Meats
Fresh Produce
Home Delivery
Store Hours:
Mon-Sat 9am-7pm
Sunday 10am-6pm
2900 Freeport Blvd.
443-6881

Have You Had Your Dos Today?

DOS COYOTES
BORDER CAFÉ
Featuring
Fresh, Healthy Southwestern Cuisine
Salads, Charboiled Steak, Chicken,
Mahi Mahi, Shrimp, Tacos & Burritos
Help Yourself Salsa Bar
927-0377
Sacramento
Market Square at Arden Fair
753-0922
Davis
Market Place Mall
772-0775
Roseville
Rocky Ridge Town Center
Sun-Thurs 11am-9:30pm
Fri & Sat 11am-10:30pm

GUESS WHAT, WE SAY YES!

YES! 100% Financing For Refinances & Purchases
YES! To Credit Challenges
YES! To First Time Home Buyers
YES! To FHA, VA & Conventional Loans
YES! To Self Employed Stated Income Loans

Ruth Mitchell

Your mortgage lender with heart and spirit. 8 years of experience qualifies me to be of tremendous value to you in the exciting journey of buying your home or refinancing your existing mortgage.

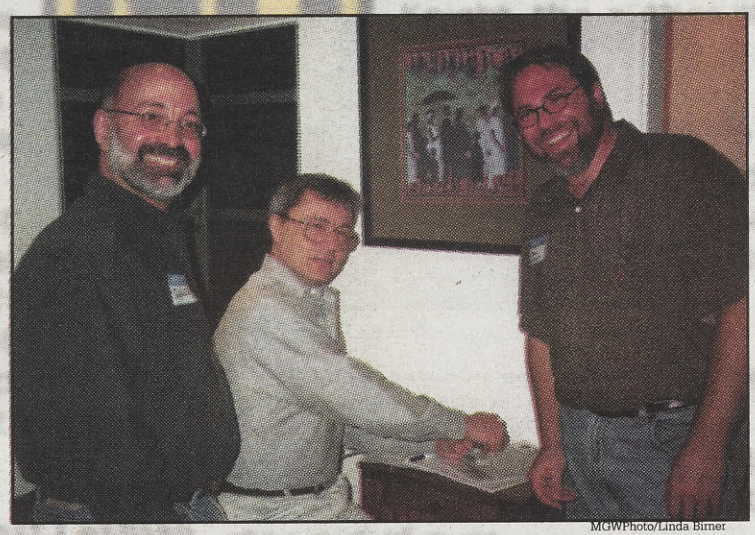
Ruth Mitchell
at
Greater Valley Mortgage
Call me at
(916) 961-5150 or (800) 540-4995

Alhambra GRILL
✓ Sushi
✓ Sushi Party Trays
✓ Pasta
✓ Grilled Sandwiches
✓ Ice Cream & Fruit Freezes
✓ Japanese & American Food
MGW Readers - 15% off
Bring a Friend - 25% off
(One Coupon per Visit ▲ Dine In Only
▲ Excludes Beer & Wine)
Monday - Saturday 11:30 - 9pm
Sunday 11:30 - 8pm
1105 Alhambra Blvd.
453-1754

No On Knight (Proposition 22) Fundraiser A Huge Success

MGWPhoto/Linda Birner

David Felderstein and Deborah Ortiz take a moment to pose for the camera at the No On Knight Fundraiser held on January 15. Nearly $7,000 was raised to help defeat the propositon!



MGWPhoto/Linda Birner

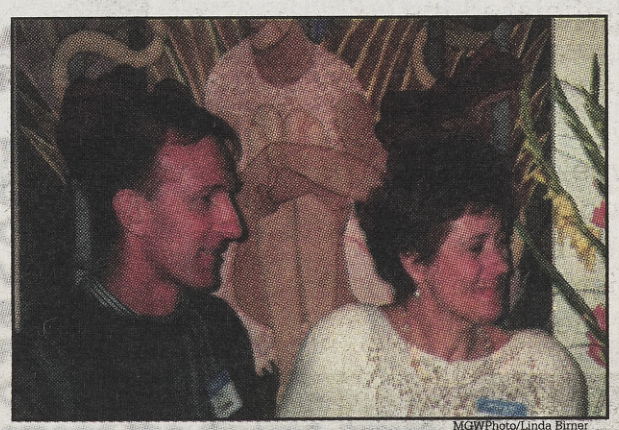
David Felderstein and Dan Hoody (on right) took advantage of notary, John Bennett, to formalize their relationship.

On January 15, 2000, a fundraiser was held in support of the No On Knight initiative. The party was a resounding success! Thanks to everyone who either donated or attended the event. Your support helped us raise nearly $7,000 for the campaign to defeat the Proposition 22 initiative. So many different individuals and organizations made wonderful donations, they cannot all be listed here. Whether you gave cash directly, donated a raffle prize, provided food, or attended the event, you made a difference!

The March 7 primary election needs your vote. Please vote no, and encourage your friends to vote no also. Defeating this proposition can make all the difference in the world for our community.

MGWPhoto/Linda Birner

Genieve Shirona, John Bennett, Assemblywoman Deborah Ortiz, and Rudy Lachica



MGWPhoto/Linda Birner

Don Diebeis and Mary Scully owner of Wright & Kimbrough Insurance.

NO on KNIGHT

California Primary March 7, 2000

Vote NO on Proposition 22

It's divisive. It's intrusive. It's unfair.

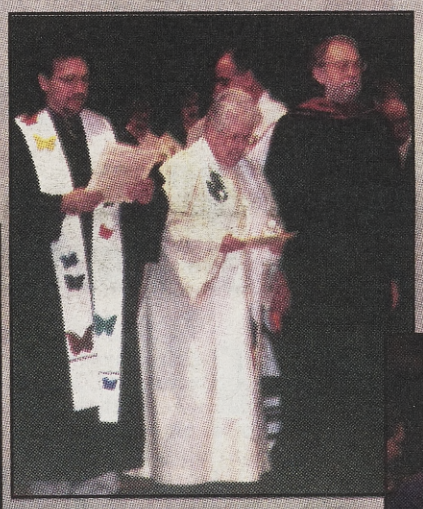
Methodist Pastors Win!!

More than 1000 people, and 500 more gathered outdoors at the Sacramento Community Theater, attended Ellie Charlton and Jeanne Barnett's "Holy Union" on January 16, 1999 with Reverend Don Fado. This year, on the anniversary of their blessing, they held another celebration at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium where they honored all of the pastors who co-officiated in the blessing of their union and demonstrated their opposition to Proposition 22.

Last week, all of the pastors found out they will NOT be punished by the Methodist Church for performing the ceremony.

MCWPhoto/Linda Birner

Jeanne Barnett, Ellie Charlton and their daughters behind them.



MCWPhoto/Linda Birner

Hanging around the edge of the Memorial Auditorium were frocks from all of the gay and lesbian ministers that have left their churches.

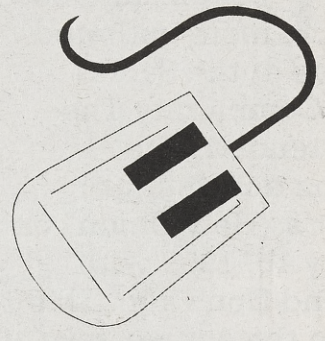
Output/Tecnology/Outings

PlanetOut Partners With Culturefinder.com To Offer Arts Content & Ticketing

In an effort to provide even more world class entertainment options to its more than one million visitors and 425,000 registered members, PlanetOut, the Internet media company for the GLBT community, will now give members the opportunity to search for arts, cultural events, and purchase tickets online through a partnership with CultureFinder.com the internets leading arts guide and ticketing service. Recent research indicates that gays and lesbians are 2.1 times more likely to attend arts and cultural events than the general population.

Visitors can search through over 350,000 theatre, music, opera, dance, Broadway, and visual arts events in more than 1,500 cities across the U.S. and Canada. The service provides event listings, recommendations, and special ticket discounts.

Online Papers Bring Gay South To The World



Mediapolis and Window Media announced the online launch of the three most prominent lesbian and gay newspapers in the South and Southwest:

Atlanta's Southern Voice *(www.southernvoice.com);*

Houston Voice *(www.houstonvoice.com);*

New Orleans Impact News *(www.impactnews.com)*

Together these new sites provide visitors with up-to-the-minute news, event listings, thought-provoking columns and features, Action Alerts and lively interactive forums on issues that matter in the South and beyond.

The launch of **SouthernVoice.com**, **HoustonVoice.com** and **ImpactNews.com** bring their newspapers top-notch journalists to a worldwide audience. The sites cover the local and national cultural landscape, intriguing personalities and eye-opening issues making news. Site visitors will stay informed and involved with interactive community forums that link users with shared interests and concerns. Internet Action Alerts will encourage active participation in lesbian and gay community issues and will feature easy-to-use, automatic e-mails to opinion makers worldwide.

Millennium March Will Help Generate Gay Political Power

By David Mixner

The partisan wrangling among contenders for Congress and the presidency is now in full force. As candidates stake out their positions on a variety of issues — ever mindful of constituencies and their concerns — it's important that we as gay voters flex our own political muscles. We have seen our Congress defeat the Hate Crimes Prevention Act, even after the horrific murders of Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. We are living under a Congress that has repeatedly failed to pass the most basic Employment Non-Discrimination Act and that passed the anti-gay Defense of Marriage Act. We have a responsibility to elect into power a Congress thatwill represent us as full citizens, deserving of equal civil rights protections.

The Millennium March on Washington, scheduled for April 30, will enable and empower us to do precisely that. The Millennium March will not only serve notice to those in political power that gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people exist, but that we are serious about participating in our democracy.

Marching on the Capitol in an election year is a good move. Because politics is about strength in numbers, the Millennium March represents a key opportunity to energize and mobilize our community for the 2000 elections. Certainly, we wear political stripes of all sorts — the often discordant process of planning the march itself is a testament to our intellectual diversity — but all candidates, Democrat and Republican, must hear our voices.

I have endorsed the Millennium March because I believe it will have purpose, meaning and value. I will be there because I feel it is where I belong, and is where I want to be. I can't imagine a gathering of thousands and thousands of my brothers and sisters and not being among them. And while there has been much dialogue about whether or not to march, we should not view this as all bad. Whenever people are struggling for their freedom, there will be strong opinions, and that is vitally important for our movement. But that dialogue is only one piece of the pie. We must march, we must become involved in campaigns and we absolutely must register and vote. All of these things are critically important in our fight for freedom and justice.

Ours is a community that has endured horrific suffering, and it has not defeated us. It has only served to galvanize our resolve, our desire for freedom. But until we are treated as equals, we have no choice but to vigorously fight for what is right. No community is more determined than ours to come out the darkness and seize the protection and freedom guaranteed to us by the Constitution of the United States of America. To that end, we have some important decisions to make. The process of choosing is made easier when no politician gets away with ducking gay issues. Already, pressure on Texas Gov. George W. Bush to make definitive statements on employment discrimination has caused him considerable embarrassment. And only a handful of the other Republican candidates are avowedly anti-gay, preferring to make vague statements in opposition to discrimination.

Gay voters could be the margin of victory in a tight race for control of Congress. In the House, a few seats will determine the crucial difference between right-wing control and a pro-gay majority. It will also make the difference between the defeat or passage of legislation that would prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or protect our community from vicious hate crimes. We must also work to electa president who welcomes gay support and speaks out against prejudice and violence.

I believe fiercely in an old Andrew Jackson quote - "One person with courage can make a majority." That is our charge to take up, the challenge we face in our everyday lives. We all have a responsibility for the world we live in, and to leave it better than we found it. The Millennium March on Washington provides us with an opportunity to gather together, shoulder to shoulder, to march with unshakeable conviction that the Constitution of the United States does apply to us and that we will be unrelenting until we achieve the full equality granted by that splendid document.

I am marching for my freedom, for my dignity and to feel the joy of so many of us standing together united in a great cause. One of the roads to freedom goes through Washington. That's why it is so important for you and your friends and family to participate in the Millennium March. Join me.

David Mixner is the author of "Stranger Among Friends" and has worked on over 75 political campaigns.

Satellite Achieves 80% Of Australian Gay Market, Boosts Content For Portal Launch

The first ever publicly traded (Australian Stock Exchange) GLBT company, The Satellite Group, announced that the company has added a sixth Australian capital city newspaper to its network of media titles, confirming its status as one of the most significant owners of GLBT media content in the world.

Satellite subsidiary Satellite Media Pty. Limited has purchased Perth, Australia-based free-to-street newspaper Westside Observer and its associated gay and lesbian tourism and venue guide, from Westside Publishing.

The deal adds an eighth title to the satellite Media stable, which includes two papers in Melbourne, Australia and one each in Sydney, Adelaide and Brisbane, Australia as well as national gay glossy magazine Outrage and personals magazine Meetmarket.

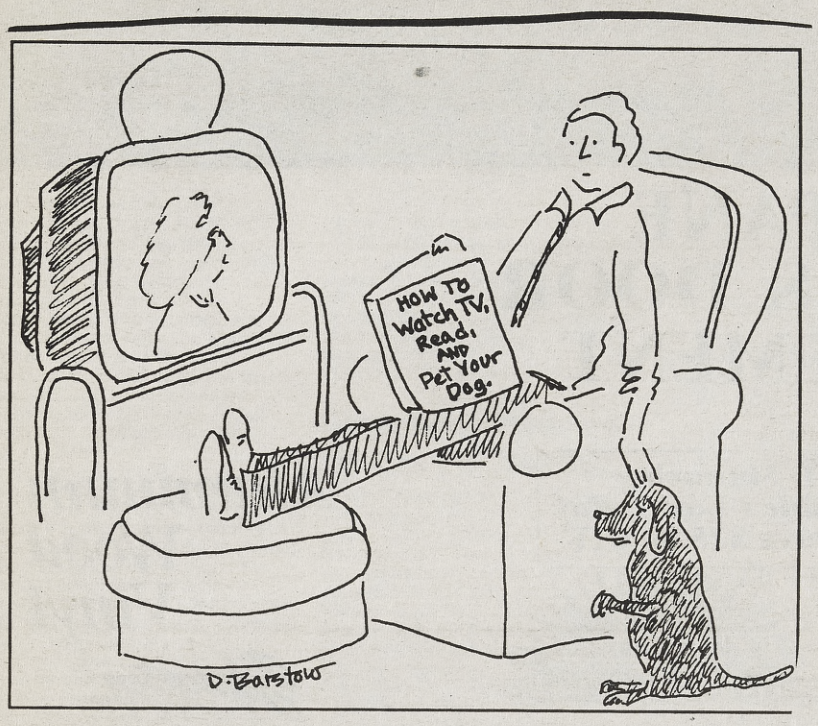
Since then it has consolidated the media titles it has acquired to date and begun negotiations with potential alliance partners for its GLBT Internet portal, including two high-profile U.S. GLBT media organizations. It has also begun researching the business case for GLBT specific retirement villages in Australia.

Can You Help?!

Mom Guess What! Newspaper is in need of several items to help us continue to deliver the quality newspaper you have come to expect and deserve. If you are able to donate any of the items listed here, please contact our offices at 441-NEWS (6397).

Delivery Van
Pentium Desktops
Pentium Laptops
SLR Camera
Point & Shoot Camera
Digital Camera
Ball Point Pens
Tabloid Paper
11x17 Copier
Lettersize Paper
Color Laser Printer

Out With Pets



Do you have a pet that you just love so much you want to share him or her with the rest of our community? Send us a picture of you and you pet(s) and some information on why you love your pet or what makes your pet special and we'll do our best to feature you both in an upcoming issue of Mom Guess What! Newspaper!

"On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog."

From the New Yorker Collection 1993 Peter Steiner from cartoonbank.com.

RUTH A. ROWLETTE
Attorney at Law
Tax Representation
Bankruptcy
Estate Planning
649-3355

Animal Housecall Service
Pet Care In Your Home
More Convenient
Less Stressful
U.C.D. 1977
Dr. Nancy Weagly
Veterinarian
456-0967

Fur People Enterprises
Offering Pet Sitting Services In-Your-Home
Michael Cook 457-1655 Randy Jamison
BONDED

CAPITOL AQUARIUM
enter a world of aquatic beauty
- Custom Aquarium design
- 5-1000 gallon aquariums
- Large selection of tropical fish
- Over 500 clean aquarium displays
- Unusual varieties of exotic fish
- Pond Supplies

Cheerful, knowledgeable assistance backed by over 25 years experience.

Serving the discriminating hobbyist since 1951.

Open 7 days a week
10am - 6pm
1920 29th Street at T Street
452-5556

Poop Scooping
$5 off first
Starting at $8
- Yards
- Decks
- Patios

1 800 POOP SCOOP
Clip this ad for $5 off first

The Kennel Room
Grooming
Small Dogs and Cats
482-4542
3104 Fulton Ave.
near Echo Way

HOME & CRITTER SITTERS
- Feed, Water & Exercise Your Pets
- Water Lawn & Plants
- Bring In Paper & Mail
- Serving the Greater Sacramento Area

since 1991
Dogs • Horses • Cats
447-0735
Member PSI & SPCA
Licensed • Bonded • Insured

Travel Newsletter Extraordinaire
for Dogs & their Dads & Moms!
DOG GONE™
$24 for 6
P.O. Box 651155
Vero Beach, Fl. 32965-1155

PET SITTING

PRECIOUS PETS
In Home Services **454-9930**
10% OFF
Total Pet Sitting Fee
Excludes off holidays.
New customers only. Expires 3/15
- **Quality Loving Care and attention for your pets in the comfort of their own home**
- **Exercise and play with your pet**
- **Security measures - adjust lights, drapes, blinds**
- **Administer medication**

Member of Pet Sitters International, SPCA, Humane Society of America
Licensed • Bonded • Insured

CHERRY
HOME IMPROVEMENT

DUAL PANE WINDOW & DOOR REPLACEMENT

Low Interest SMUD Financing
Limited Funds Available • Call Today
Save this ad and receive $25.00 OFF

933-0506

FREE In Home Estimates
LIC. #685589
Limit one coupon per household

Aluminum
Wood
Vinyl

Simonton WINDOWS

IT'S HIP IT'S HAPPENIN' IT'S...

paesanos
PIZZERIA

18th & Capitol • Delivery 444-0307

Pizza for Two!

Medium gourmet pizza
and two half house salads

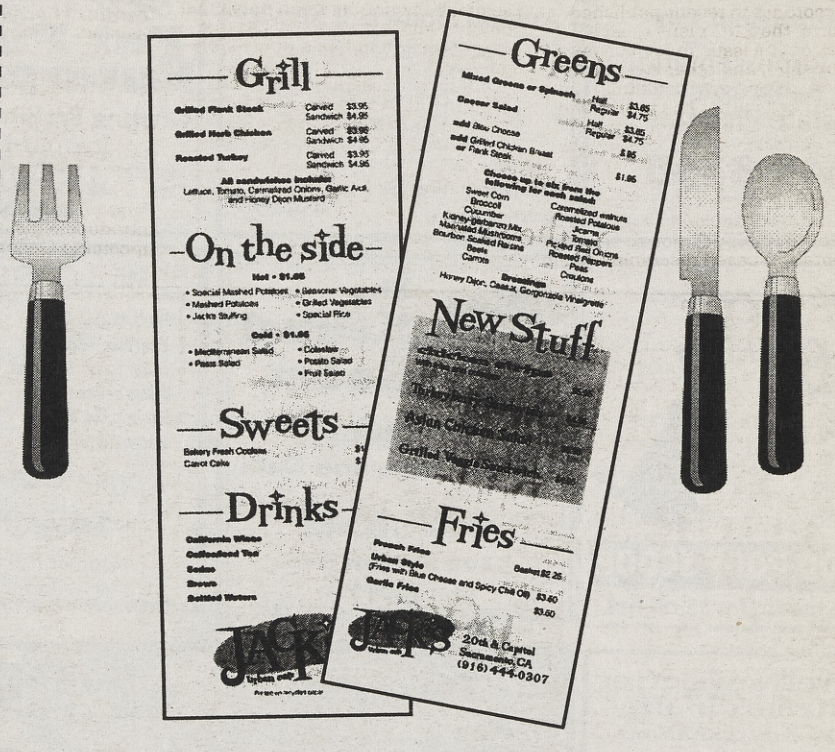
Only $13.95

paesanos PIZZERIA

Sunday - Thursday. Dinners only. Vaild for dine-in, take out and delivery. ($2 delivery charge) Please present coupon when ordering. Expires 15/00

MGW

JACKS
urban eats



20th & Capitol
444-0307

NEWS/BYTES

Families Of Matthew Shepard & James Byrd To Speak At Millennium March On Washington

Invoking the murders of James Byrd, Jr. and Matthew Shepard, President Bill Clinton urged Congress to pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act during his State of the Union address. On the heels of that crucial challenge, organizers of the Millennium March on Washington for Equality are honored and proud to announce that members of both the Matthew Shepard family, and the James Byrd, Jr. family, will continue their crusade to end hate crimes by appearing together at the Millennium March on Washington on April 30, 2000.

Since the tragic loss of their family members due to two of the most vicious hate crimes in our country's recent history, members of the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. families have become powerful advocates for the passage of hate crime's legislation. Along the way, they have impacted a nation with their pleas for tolerance. Since the death of their son, Judy and Dennis Shepard have been actively involved with a number of gay and lesbian organizations — appearing in public service announcements and lobbying elected officials for more inclusive hate crimes legislation. The Millennium March on Washington, scheduled for April 30, 2000, will be the fourth national GLBT civil rights march to promote equal rights for all GLBT individuals. Info: www.mmow.org or write to MMOW2000@aol.com.

Republicans 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' As A Vehicle For More Bashing Of Gays

New Republican National Committee (RNC) TV ads on the "Don't ask, don't tell" policy are a continuation of the Republican Party's efforts to portray GLBT people as unworthy of equal rights.

According to recent published reports, the RNC plans to air TV spots on the issue in Iowa, New Hampshire, and other key primary states. "Don't ask, don't tell" is a flawed policy that has resulted in increased discharges of servicemen and women and, contrary to its stated goal, has led to well-publicized witch-hunts

A report by the Policy Institute of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force shows opposition to sexual orientation-based discrimination in the military, even among conservatives. The report, From Wrongs to Rights: Public Opinion on Gay and Lesbian Americans Moves Toward Equality 1973-1999, authored by Columbia University political scientist Alan Yang, reveals that American public opinion is more supportive of equality than are most lawmakers and politicians.

Both Vice President Gore and Bill Bradley have stated their intention to end "Don't ask, don't tell" if elected. Republican candidates, on the other hand, have expressed varying degrees of support for the policy. Senator John McCain said comments by the two Democratic candidates disqualified both of them from the presidency and reiterated support for the discriminatory policy.

Celebrating Paris and 75 years of Art Deco

This new year of 2000 brings the 75th anniversary of that wondrous event, better known as the Paris Expo of 1925. The Art Deco Society of California will celebrate this occasion at the 15th Annual Preservation Ball, on Saturday, March 18th, 2000 in the Grand Ballroom of San Francisco's Regency Building, 1320 Van Ness Ave. In order to retain the period ambiance of the event, Black/White Tie, Deco formal attire and evening gowns are requested.

The Art Deco Society of California is a non-profit organization founded in 1982 to preserve culture from the 1920s-30s. Members collect, preserve and appreciate architecture, art, dance, fashion, film, music and forms of transportation from time between the two world wars. For information: 415-982-DECO.

Ban Lifted on Gay Soldiers

Forced to act by a European court ruling, Britain lifted its ban on gays in the military and introduced instead a code of conduct for sexual behavior, whether soldiers be heterosexual or homosexual.

Under the new code of conduct, to be published, inappropiate sexual behavior between personnel on duty-and not a person's sexual orientation-would be a punishable offense.

Britain promised to lift the ban after the European Court of Human Rights ruled in favor of four gay enlistees dismissed from the military.

Convicted Killer of Gay Men Linked to Unsolved Detroit Murder (s)

Gay activists announced that murders of at least two African American gays have been linked and there may still be a possible connection to other murders of other black gay men in Detroit.

The Wayne County Prosecutors office reported that new evidence has linked Willie Brown, who was recently convicted of murdering, a gay African-American civil rights activist, to another murder that occurred last year in Detroit.

The Triangle Foundation suspected early on that a string of murders of gay black men in or near the City of Detroit may have been related. They are working closely with the Detroit Police Department and the County Prosecutor's office, requesting DNA evidence for comparison to continue investigating the other unsolved murders.

Gay/Straight Club Banned in Orange County, CA High School

Deeply affected by the murder of Matthew Shepard, students had been talking about doing something to prevent hate crimes and intolerance on their campus.

National School climate survey, 69% of GLBT youth experience some sort of harassment or violence in school, with 90% reporting that they hear homophobic remarks, such as "faggot" or "queer" on a frequent basis.

After filling out the paperwork to start a Gay/Straight Alliance, the board voted unanimously to deny approval for the club to meet claiming that the club is infringing on the district's right to control sex education in schools.

While they await legal action, the El Modena GSA will continue to meet, but must hold their meetings off campus.

Anthony Colin, et al. v. Orange Unified School District, et. al is pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division.

Rep. Pisaturo To Introduce Equal Access To Marriage Act

State Representative Michael S. Pisaturo announced that he wll introduce legislation during the upcoming General Assembly session that will allow all Rhode Islanders equal access to marriage.

Some of the rights connected to civil marriage are the ability to file a joint tax return, obtain health insurance at family rates, inherit automatically in the absence of a will, obtain wrongful death benefits for a surviving partner, take bereavement or sick leave to care for a partner, make medical decisions in the absence of a power of attorney, and hundreds of others.

Republican Mayor Susan Golding Opposes Knight Initiative

Head of Nation's Sixth-Largest City Joins Leading GOP Senate Candidate in Opposition to Anti-Gay Initiative on March Ballot.

Mayor Susan Golding (R) of San Diego has announced her strong opposition to the anti-gay Knight

See BYTES pg. 22

▼ Individuals ▼ Couples ▼ Groups
Lesbian Growth Groups
Multi-Issue Psychotherapy
Sandra Warne
MA, MFT
650 Howe Ave., Suite #730
568-1025
MFC# 30585

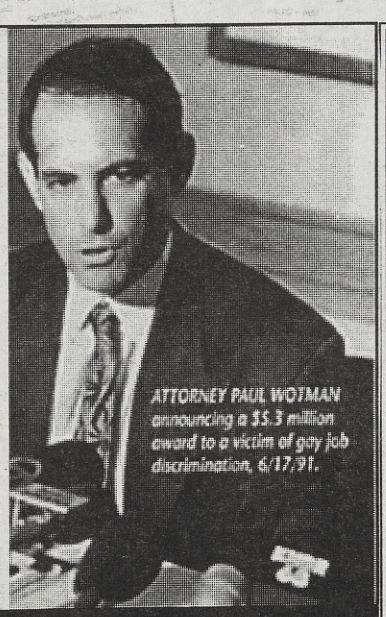
STRESS ANXIETY RECOVERY COMING OUT HIV DEPRESSION RELATION-SHIPS GRIEF SELF ESTEEM
443-7171
Individuals
Couples
Bruce Gunn
M.F.C.C #MM19480

Lic. No. MV023109
Deborah L. Otten, M.F.C.C.
• Individuals
• Couples
• Families
443-6253
820 24th Street

SUE WOLF
FARMERS INSURANCE
421-0390
910 Florin Road #104
License #0450890
HOME OWNERS • LIFE • AUTO • RENTERS

MGW
MOM GUESS WHAT NEWSPAPER
is accepting applications for
Freelance Political Reporters
Resume to: MGW. 1725 L St.. Sacto 95814

Specialist In Gay Friendly Destinations
UNIGLOBE EXPO TRAVEL
Business
Vacation
Adventure
920-1701
(800) 879-8785
mp.expo@uniglobe.com

THE LAWYERS TO CALL WHEN YOUR RIGHTS ARE AT STAKE
WRONGFUL TERMINATION
DISCRIMINATION
HIV/AIDS
AUTO & MOTORCYCLE
ACCIDENT

ATTORNEY PAUL WOTMAN announcing a $5.3 million award to a victim of gay job discrimination, 6/17/91.
WOTMAN, KORS & CLOUTIER, LLP
1-800 MR LAWYER

PFINGST REALTY

Vicki Pfingst
Kelli Foley
9978 Folsom Blvd.
362-1166

Magnolia Upholstery
Custom ▼ Antiques ▼ Slip Covers
Residential ▼ Commercial
Foam ▼ Naugh ▼ Cushions
482-5838
Tom McGowan
6312 Fair Oaks Blvd. Carmichael

NEWS/BYTES

Initiative in California, making her the highest ranking GOP local official in the state to oppose the measure which is on the March 7th ballot.

Golding joins Congressman Tom Campbell (R), the leading candidate for the 2000 Republican nomination for U.S. Senate in California, in opposing the Knight Initiative, a measure supported by anti-gay organizations which seeks a vote on banning same-sex marriages in California, where such marriages are already not legally recognized by law. In 1999, Campbell was the first Member of Congress of either party to announce his opposition.

Log Cabin Republicans is the nation's largest gay Republican organization, with state and local chapters nationwide, a full-time Washington office and a federal political action committee.

Log Cabin Republicans (202) 347-5306 phone, (202) 347-5224 fax Kevin Ivers, Director of Public Affairs, http://www.lcr.org.

Flap in Noe Valley Over Shelter Plan For Young Gays

A plan to bus homeless young gays and lesbians from the Castro to a new shelter in the Noe Valley is under attack by neighborhood groups. Residents living near the proposed winter shelter at Metropolitan Community Church-Golden Gate, 1508 Church St., argued that it's the wrong facility in the wrong place.

The group circulated an anti-shelter petition that was signed by 400 Noe Valley residents and the owners of 55 local businesses. The uproar already has delayed the planned December opening of the shelter and cut the size of the facility in half, from 20 beds to 10.

What they'd rather see is a 24-hour center, where homeless people would live, get the social services they need and prepare to live on their own.

Faced with the neighborhood complaints, city officials already are working on a backup plan.

Clinton's New Budget Increases HIV/AIDS Funding, But Short-changes Prevention

Clinton released his new budget today, proposing increased spending on key HIV/AIDS programs, but coming up short on funding for crucial prevention efforts. The budget proposes an increase of only $40 million for HIV prevention at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This increase does not reflect the urgent need to address CDC reports that there are an estimated 40,000 new infections each year. The problem is especially acute in minority populations, according to HRC. For gay African-American men, AIDS deaths dropped 35 percent in 1997 and 17 percent in 1998, while comparable reductions for whites were 51 percent and 22 percent, respectively. Surgeon General David Satcher reported that AIDS death rates for African Americans remained nearly 10 times higher than for whites. Adding to these numbers is the CDC finding that young African-American gay men were five times more likely to contract HIV compared to other young gay men.

Pride Scholarship To Benefit LGBT Students At MSU

A new scholarship fund has been created to assist LGBT students at Michigan State University. "The Pride Scholarship", was established by Bill Beachler, an MSU alumnus, working with GLFSA and the university's fund raising office. Beachler has inaugurated the Pride Scholarship with both a cash gift and a pledged bequest. Scholarship recipients will be selected by members of GLFSA, an organization of LGBT faculty, staff, and graduate students at MSU. The Pride Scholarship will initially award $500 annually. A companion endowment fund will enable contributions to accumulate interest under the financial management of the university, which will eventually make larger awards possible. The endowment fund has already received $1,500 in cash and several bequests of various sizes.

Gay Catholic Priests Urged To Come Out

Teddy Witherington, Executive Director of San Francisco's Pride Parade and Celebration, and Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco Senior Pastor, Rev. Jim Mitulski, urged gay Roman Catholic priests to come out and end the hypocrisy they are forced to endure. This call for honesty comes as the Roman Catholic Church again find itself struggling with new gay rights issues in the United States and in Rome.

The Kansas City Star reported last Sunday that Roman Catholic priests in the United States are dying from AIDS-related illnesses at a rate four times higher than the general population and the cause is often concealed on their death certificates. Halfway around the world, the Vatican began a propaganda attack against World Pride Rome 2000, a worldwide celebration of GLBT pride from July 1 through 9, 2000 in Rome. Planning began in 1996 and on January 17, 2000 World Pride Rome received a $180,000 grant for cultural events from the Rome government. The Vatican then, unsuccessfully, began their attempt to force the City of Rome and the Italian government to cancel "World Pride Rome 2000."

"Bump 2000" First Annual Ski Weekend At Tremblant Organized By The BBCM Foundation

The BBCM Foundation is proud to present its first annual edition of the ski Weekend "Bump 2000", organized by the BBCM Foundation in collaboration with Mont Tremblant (ski resort in the Laurentian Mountains north of Montreal). This special weekend will take place from April 7 to 9 (please note that this event is not from March 24 to 26 like it was announced previously) and will feature many activities as well as a Saturday night "BUMP PARTY" at the mountain-top chalet from 9 PM to 5 am, featuring prominent guest DJ's and entertainment.

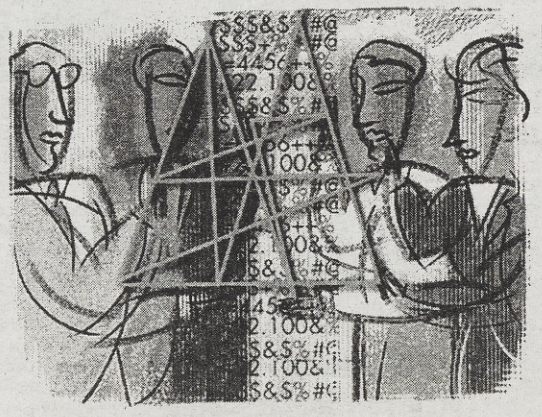
Various social and sports activities will take place including downhill ski, cocktails and dinners and other sports activities (choice). Special packages will also be offered at Mont Tremblant (massage, sauna, pool, etc.). The BUMP 2000 ski weekend is the first event of this kind put on by the BBCM, following an important demand from its numerous faithful participants. Bump is to the benefit of the BBCM Foundation, a non-profit organization that distributes donations to direct AIDS care groups and to gay and lesbian community groups.

See BYTES pg. 23

Mediation is the New Lawyering

More cost effective, more satisfying . . .

- Mediation with Compassion
- Arbitration with Understanding
- Skilled, Experienced Negotiation



Law Offices of Rosemary Metrailer

Mediator • Arbitrator • Business Law

2206 K Street, Suite 5, Sacramento, CA 95816

(916) 447-7258

Fax (916) 447-7259

rmetrailer@metrailer.com

Rosemary Metrailer can . . .

Personal:

- Help you mediate property settlements
- Serve as arbitrator under that contract you signed
- Mediate Sexual Harassment/ Other Civil Lawsuits

Business:

- Help you negotiate the best deal, protect your long term interests
- Mediate/arbitrate contracts and other disputes
- Assist in Workplace Communication Breakdowns
- Help you dissolve a partnership

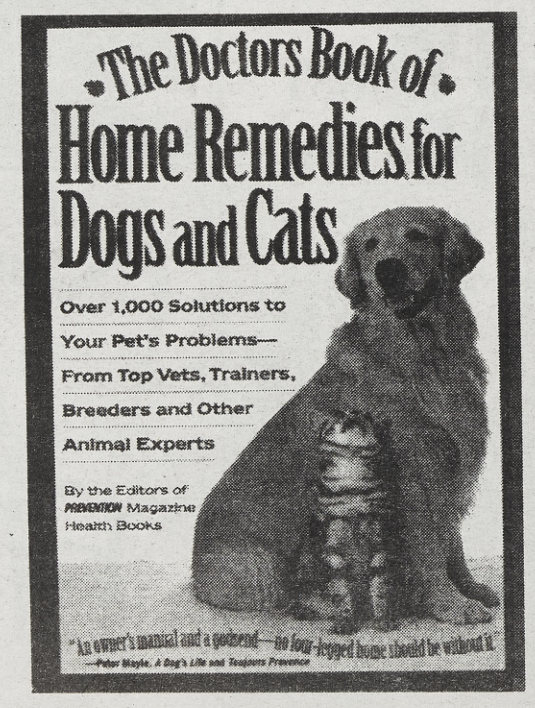
She Also Can Help With:

- Neighborhood Disputes
- Political/Strategy Conflicts

The Doctors Book of Home Remedies for Dogs and Cats

Edited by Matthew Hoffman,
Rodale Press, Inc.,
Emmaus, Pennsylvania
$27.95 Hardcover

by Barbara Young
MGW/Staff


The Doctors Book of
Home Remedies for Dogs and Cats
Over 1,000 Solutions to Your Pet's Problems—From Top Vets, Trainers, Breeders and Other Animal Experts
By the Editors of PREVENTION Magazine Health Books

This book should be on the shelf all dog & cat owners. A true A to Z of problems and home treatments, plenty of useful tips including training and breaking bad habits. This book has treatments, solutions and advice from over 200 veterinarians, trainers, pet psychologists and other experts. Many problems include information on when it's time to call your veterinarian. If you have a dog or cat you will want this book in your home. ▼

NEWS/BYTES

River City Metropolitan Community Church MCC...

Not Just Another Pretty Faith!!!

The Cathedral Of Promise

Reverand Freda Smith
Senior Pastor
Reverand Prentice T. Minner
Assistant Pastor

10500 Chaplian Avenue
Mather Field, Rancho Cordova
(7 minutes from Downtown)

10:00am Sunday Worship
11:45am Bible Study

MCC Breaking Barriers

1722 J Street #21 447-AIDS

MCC Samaritan Center & Thrift Center

3250 Broadway 454-5019

Cable Channel 73

Monday - 7:00pm
Tuesday - 11:00am
Wednesday - 3:00am

Rev. Jimmy Creech & Family To Take Part In Historic Wedding

Rev. Jimmy Creech, a United Methodist minister for 29 years, lost his credentials in November 1999 after a United Methodist Church jury found him guilty of disobeying church law by officiating at the same-sex union of two North Carolina men. Creech is at the forefront in the fight to remove sanctions against same-sex marriages in established Protestant churches. He has called the opposition to holy unions amongst same-sex couples "spiritual violence". "The Wedding: Now More Than Ever" will take place in front of the Internal Revenue Service Building, located at 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, April 29 at 10:45 a.m.

Registration for the April 29, 2000 "Wedding" exceeds the numbers of "The Wedding" that Rev. Perry conducted at the 1993 March on Washington, which was recorded at that time as the largest same-sex wedding demonstration and celebration in history. The Lesbian and Gay Bands of America (L.G.B.A.), the national musical organization comprised of concert and marching bands from cities across America, will supply the romantic and inspirational music before and during the ceremony and demonstration.

DNC Chairs Applaud Gay & Lesbian Community For Involvement Democratic Caucuses

Democratic National Committee National Chair Joe Andrew and General Chair Mayor Edward G. Rendell applauded the gay and lesbian community in Iowa for its outstanding showing at the nation's first Presidential caucuses on Monday night. At the precinct caucuses, voters elected 26 openly gay Democratic delegates along with 22 openly gay alternates. Democrats made specific efforts to reach gay and lesbian voters in Iowa, while the Republican candidates continue to demonize gay and lesbian Americans. In addition to electing delegates, gay and lesbian Democrats introduced platform planks including passing the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, AIDS research funding, implementing universal health care, and passing the Hate Crimes Prevention Act.

Web Site Producer Announces Launch of GayExplorer

Chisel Media the producer of an array of high-end gay websites' is pleased to announce the launch of GayExplorer, the first FREE, world wide travel guide on the net for gay men and women. GayExplorer is edited by Karim Lankarany, until the end of 1998 and editor with the Spartacus International Gay Guide in Berlin. Karim has joined forces with Chisel Media of Vancouver one of the biggest gay Internet production houses to create a site that will make it much easier to get up-to-date travel information without having to pay for an expensive guidebook. If you would like to contribute information about your area or you simply want to comment on GayExplorer.com please feel free to send us an E-mail: editor@gayexplorer.com.

Colorado Loses One Hate-Crime Bill, Continues With Another

The Colorado House of Representatives is processing House Bill 1168, which would increase penalties for violating the state's ethnic intimidation statute, replace the words "ethnic intimidation" with "hate crime" and include sexual orientation, age and disability as covered groups. The bill passed the House Judiciary Committee and now must go through the Appropriations Committee, then to a House floor vote. This is the fourth year Rep. Penfield Tate has sponsored the bill. The Democrat said he continues to push for the expansion because: "Hate crimes exist. We know they exist. What our history shows here [Colorado] is that we know people get selected to be victims because of their actual or perceived sexual orientation. Hopefully this is a way to give law enforcement an additional tool to address these sorts of criminal acts and correct them." Meanwhile, the state Senate's Judiciary Committee failed to move forward SB00-032, an identical bill sponsored by Democrat Sen. Dorothy Rupert. It was a 4-4 vote. The same bill lost last year by one vote.

Rainbow Program Distributes $134,000 In Latest Grant Cycle

The Rainbow Endowment has announced the second of two 1999-grant distributions, bringing the Rainbow Programís giving total to more than $700,000 to date. Founded in 1995, the Rainbow Endowment is a philanthropic organization whose mission is to promote health, visibility, and full access to social, cultural, and civic life for members of the diverse GLBT community. The Endowment is run by a volunteer board of directors and disperse funds generated by use of the Rainbow Card, a Visa credit card issued by Travelers Bank USA, and through its Founding Sponsor, Subaru of America, Inc., and its Official Airline Sponsor, British Airways. The Rainbow Card has maintained significant growth since its October 1995 launch and the Endowment is fast emerging as a dedicated source of giving for national lesbian and gay organizations.

Preserving The Wealth Of Same-Sex Couples

Christopher Street Financial has announced that they will host the first-ever conference on iPreserving the Wealth of Same-Sex Couplesî. The event includes presentations by the countryís leading tax and estate planning experts regarding protecting assets while incurring the least amount of taxes. It will be held at Manhattanís fashionable W New York Hotel during the weekend of March 31st through April 2nd. Info: 1-800-262-6644, or www.csfin.com.

Judge Rules Gay-Straight Alliance Must Be Allowed To Meet

U.S. District Court Judge issued a preliminary injunction ordering the Orange Unified School District to allow the Gay-Straight Alliance at El Modena High School to meet on school grounds while their case proceeds. The judge's ruling cited the high incidence of anti-gay hate crimes and the disproportionate rate of suicide among lesbian and gay teenagers, saying in his order that ì(t)his injunction is not just about student pursuit of ideas and tolerance for diverse viewpoints. As any concerned parent would understand, this case may involve the protection of life itself.î The Orange Unified School Board applied for a stay of the ruling pending their appeal, which the judge promised to consider by the end of the day.

COOK REALTY

Charon K. Jenner
Realtor

Voice Mail - Pager: **763-1781**
Res: **457-7487**
Bus: **451-6702**
Fax: **451-2754**

4305 Freeport Blvd.
Sacramento, CA 95822

Killick Financial Services

Linda E. Killick
(916) 486-8985

Income Tax Prep & Planning/Bookkeeping/Payroll
2321 Lloyd Lane, Sacramento, California 95825

Robert Hamm
Valley Perenials

1701 Quiggle Rd.
Herald, CA 95632
(NEAR STOCKTON)
209.748.5886
Open Wed.-Sat.
9am - 3 pm

March 16-19: SF Flower Show
Cow Palace-We'll Be There

April 15&16: Spring AIDS & SAF Sale - 9am - 5pm
-Larger Than Ever!!

May 13: Perennial Plant Club & Sale. Sheppard Garden: McKinley Park 9am- 4pm

SMALL GUY LINEN SUPPLY

A Reliable Service With Reasonable Rates Since 1988

Towels • Aprons • Rugs • Wet Mops • Dust Mops

Jerry Gates
Proprietor
441-8118

BILL SKINNER

Complete Insurance Services - Lic. 0511763

Cheryl Weis
Insurance Agency
Broker Lic. 0511763

3455-A American River Drive
Sacramento, CA 95864

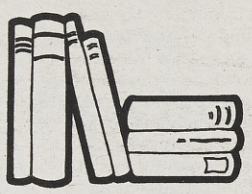
488-8065 Phone
485-2204 Fax

Henrietta
455-0667
Diann
736-3950
Don
452-8375

3714 J Street

ENTERTAINMENT/BOOKS

2000 GLBT Book Awards Announced



"Po Man's Child", written by Marci Blackman and published by Manic D Press, and "My Lesbian Husband: Landscapes of a Marriage", written by Barrie Jean Borich and published by Graywold Press, are the winners of the 2000 GLBT Book Awards. The announcement was made by the GLBT Round Table of The American Library Association. The awards were established in 1971, during the ALA Midwinter Meeting in San Antonio. Literature Award Honor Books are: "Comfort and Joy" by Jim Grimsley, Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill; "Last Rights: Poems" by Marvin K. White, Alyson Publications; "Lawnboy" by Paul Lisicky, Turtle Point Press; and "Mr. Dalloway: A Novella" by Robin Lippincott, Sarabande Books. Honors books for the Nonfiction award are: "Biological Exuberance: Animal Homosexuality and Natural Diversity" by Bruce Bagemihl, St. Martin's Press; "Firebird: A Memoir" by Mark Doty, HarperCollins Publishers; "Lorca: A Dream of Life" by Leslie Stainton, Farrar Strauss Giroux; and "Victory Deferred How AIDS Changed Gay Life in America" by John-Manuel Andriote, University of Chicago Press. The awards will be presented during the ALA Annual Conference, July 6th through 12th, in Chicago.

The Book List

ANTHOLOGIES—FICTION
Besame Mucho by Jaime Manrique & Jesse Dorris, Painted Leaf
Hers 3 by Terry Wolverton & Robert Drake, Faber & Faber
His 3 by Terry Wolverton & Robert Drake, Faber & Faber
Mammoth Book of Lesbian Short Stories by Emma Donoghue, Carroll & Graf
Vintage Book of International Lesbian Fiction by Naomi Holoch, Joan Nestle & Nancy Holden, Vintage

LESBIAN & GAY ANTHOLOGIES-NON-FICTION
A Woman Like That by Joan Larkin, Bard Columbia Reader on Lesbians and Gay Men in Media, Society and Politics by Larry Gross & James D. Woods, Columbia UP
Completely Queer by Steve Hogan & Lee Hudson, Henry Holt
Fighting Words by Charles Michael Smith, Avon
This is What Lesbian Looks Like by Kris Kleindienst, Firebrand

CHILDREN/YOUTH
Dare Truth or Promise by Paula Boock, Houghton Mifflin
Name Me Nobody by Lois-Ann Yamanaka, Hyperion
The Blue Lawn by William Taylor, Alyson
The Year They Burned the Books by Nancy Garden, FSG

DRAMA
Corpus Christi by Terrence McNally, Grove/Atlantic Press
Lovesick by Lawrence Senelick, Routledge
Of All the Nerve by Deb Margolin & Lynda Hart, Cassell Academic
Prepare For Saints by Steven Watson, Random House
What I Meant Was by Craig Lucas, TCG

GAY MEN'S BIO
An Underground Life by Gad Beck, U of Wisconsin Press
Firebird by Mark Doty, HarperCollins
Gore Vidal by Fred Kaplan, Doubleday
Left Out by Martin Zuberman, HarperCollins
The Velveteen Father by Jesse Green, Villard

GAY MEN'S FICTION
Allan Stein by Matthew Stadler, Grove
Comfort and Joy by Jim Grimsley, Algonquin
In September the Light Changes by Andrew Holleran, Hyperion
The Book of Lies Felice Picano, Alyson
The Coming Storm by Paul Russell, St. Martin's

GAY MEN'S MYSTERY
Drop Dead by Mark Zubro, St. Martin's
Innuendo by R.D. Zimmerman, Delacorte
Justice at Risk by John Morgan Wilson, Doubleday
The Death of a Constant Lover by Lev Raphael, Walker & Co.
The Gumshoe, the Witch, and the Virtual Corpse by Keith Hartman, Meisha Merlin

GAY MEN'S POETRY
Diva by Raphael Campo, Duke UP
Last Rights by Marvin K. White, Alyson
Lyric G. by Winston James, Grapevine
The Anchorage by Mark Wunderlich, U Massachusetts
Trappings by Richard Howard, Turtle Point

GAY MEN'S STUDIES
Men Like That by John Howard, U of Chicago
Pictures & Passions by James Saslow, Viking
The Crisis of Desire by Robin Hardy with David Groff, Houghton Mifflin
The Mismeasure of Desire by Edward Stein, Oxford UP
Times Square Red, Times Square Blue by Samuel Delaney, NYU Press

HUMOR
Ethan Exposed by Eric Orner, St. Martin's
Subgurlz by Jennifer Camper, Cleis
That's Mr. Faggot to You by Michael Thomas Ford, Alyson
Way to Go Smith! By Bob Smith, Weisbach-Morrow
Wilma Loves Betty and Other Hilarious Lesbian Parodies by Scott Brassart & Julie Trevelyan, Alyson

LESBIAN BIO/AUTOBIO
Baby Precious Always Shines by Kay Turner, St. Martin's
Eleanor Roosevelt Volume1933-1938 by Blanche Weisen Cook, Viking
My Lesbian Husband: Landscapes of a Marriage by Barrie Jean Borich, Graywolf
Tales of the Lavender Menace: A Memoir of Liberation Karla Jay, Basic Books
The Trials of Radclyffe Hall by Diana Souhami, Doubleday

LESBIAN FICTION
Bruised Fruit by Anna Livia, Firebrand
Faults by Terri de la Pena, Alyson
Salt Water and Other Stories by Barbara Wilson, Alyson
Shy Girl by Elizabeth Stark, FSG
Tipping the Velvet by Sarah Waters, Penguin

LESBIAN MYSTERY
Hunting The Witch by Ellen Hart, St. Martin's
Lost Daughters by J.M. Redmann, W.W. Norton
Murder Undercover by Claire McNab, Naiad
She Came in Drag by Mary Wings , Mass Market Paperback
Sleeping Bones by Katherine Forrest, Berkley Prime Crime

LESBIAN POETRY
Interior With Sudden by Joy Brenda Shaughnessy, FSG
Midnight Salvage by Adrienne Rich , W.W. Norton
Monkeypuzzle by Rita Wong, Press Gang
Rave: Poems 1975-1999 by Olga Broumas, Copper Canyon Press
Walking Up Depot Street by Minnie Bruce Pratt, U of Pittsburgh

LESBIAN STUDIES
A Desired Past by Leila J. Rupp, U of Chicago
Eden Built By Eves Bonnie Morris, Alyson
Strange Sisters by Jaye Zimet, Penguin
To Believe in Women by Lillian Faderman, Houghton Mifflin
Whole Lesbian Sex Book by Felice Newman, Cleis

PHOTO/VISUAL ARTS
Homoerotic Art of Pavel Tchelitchev intro. by David Leddick, Elysium
John Singer Sargent by John Esten & Donna Hassler, Universe
Pictures & Passions by James Saslow, Viking
Strange Sisters by Jaye Zimet, Penguin
The Drag King Book by Del LaGrace Volcano & Judith Halberstam, Serpent's Tail

SF/FANTASY
Minions of the Moon by Richard Bowes, Tor Books
Night Shade by Victoria Brownworth & Judith Redding, Seal Press
The Annunciate by Severna Park, Avon-Eos
The Gumshoe, the Witch, and the Virtual Corpse by Keith Hartman, Meisha Merlin
Through a Brazen Mirror by Delia Sherman, Cortney Skinner & Ellen Kushner, Circlet

SMALL PRESS
Christ-Like by Emanuel Xavier, Painted Leaf
Hey Paesan! By Capone, Avicolli Mecca & Leto, Three Guineas
Massage by Henry Flesh, Akashic
Mr. Dalloway by Robin Lippincott, Sarabande
The Queer Press Guide by Bill Sullivan, Painted Leaf

SPIRITUALITY/RELIGION
Coming Out Spiritually by Christian de la Huerta & Matthew Fox, Tarcher-Putnam
Gay Spirit Warrior by John Stowe, Findhorn
Prayer Warrior by Stuart Howell Miller, Alyson
Queer Dharma 2 by Winston Leyland, Gay Sunshine Press
Respecting the Soul by Keith Boykin, Avon

TRANSGENDER
Crossing: A Memoir by Deidre McCloskey, U of Chicago
From Toads to Queens by Jacobo Schifter, Harrington Park Press
The Drag King Book by Del LaGrace Volcano & Judith Halberstam, Serpent's Tail
Transmen and FTM's by Jason Cromwell, U of Illinois
Trumpet by Jackie Kay, Pantheon

Rocky Horror Picture Show Convention In Silicon Valley

Let's Do The Time Warp Again

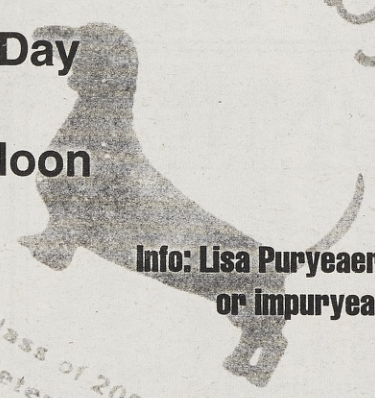
Celebrating the silver anniversary of the release of The Rocky Horror Picture Show, a fan-run convention in Silicon Valley has been scheduled for June 16-17, 2000. Titled "Bay Area 2000", the convention will feature a variety of events for Rocky Horror cast members and fans from around the country. Special Guest Sal Piro, the President of the Rocky Horror Picture Show fan club, will be featured as part of the festivities.

The start of the convention features a 40's style swing/gangster party with a cash bar, dancing, and casino gambling, lasting through the evening. Casino winners will be able to use their "casino cash" to redeem Rocky Horror merchandise and memorabilia for their own collections.

The convention is to be hosted at the Doubletree Hotel San Jose, at 2080 Gateway Place, San Jose CA, and tickets are available in advance only, through the mail and over the Internet. Tickets purchased between February 1 to March 19 are $20, from March 20 to April 30 are $30, and after April 30 are $40. Rooms are available under a group rate of $89/night when called in under "Rocky Horror Picture Show" to 408-453-4000.

Doxie Derby 2000
April 15, 2000

UC Davis Picnic Day
9:00 am till dusk
Race Begins at Noon



Info: Lisa Puryeaer 530.693.7004
or impuryear@ucdavid.edu

Doxie Derby 2000
Class of 2002
School of Veterinary Medicine
At UC Davis

I80, North Hwy 113, First exit Hutchinson Rd., Right at stop, left at LaRue Rd. Look for UCD Recreation Hall on right. turn right at Orchard Park Rd., and park in the RecHall Parking Lot.

Robert Hamm
Valley Perenials

1701 Quiggle Rd.
Herald, CA 95632
(NEAR STOCKTON)
209.748.5886
Open Wed.-Sat.
9am - 3 pm

March 16-19: SF Flower Show
Cow Palace-We'll Be There

April 15&16: Spring AIDS & SAF Sale - 9am - 5pm
-Larger Than Ever!!

May 13: Perennial Plant Club & Sale. Sheppard Garden: McKinley Park 9am- 4pm

TRAVEL/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PlanetOut Announces Partnership With Out & About

Extends Travel Information & Options

Members of the GLBT community now have more access to travel information and value than ever before. In a six-month partnership announced, PlanetOut, the leading Internet Media Company, has selected Out & About, the award-winning travel newsletter and Web site for gay men and lesbians, as a provider of exclusive travel reviews for PlanetOut Travel.

Under terms of agreement, Out & About will provide 110 "Editor's Choice" MasterFile previews to PlanetOut members through PlanetOut's Travel section. The MasterFile previews feature recommendations for lodging, dining, clubs, bars and sightseeing authored by noted travel experts.

All "Editor's Choice" previews will be available free of charge to PlanetOut members. Out & About's "Editor's Choice" MasterFile previews will complement PlanetOut's Travel section, which features destination reviews, travel tips, hotel reviews, travel calendars and more.

Congratulations!

Kim Wallace and Irene Kehoe

The friends and families of Kim Wallace and Irene Kehoe announce the couples' forthcoming Committment Celebration to be held in mid-June 2000.

An engagement party will be held in the couple's honor in mid-March 2000.

We wish you all the best!

Please recycle
Mom Guess What Newspaper
to your friends & family!

TAX TIME
CALL NOW!
ROXANNE HARDENBURGH
(916)971-9315
or(800)598-9646
Malkasian Accountancy
WWW.MALKASIAN.COM

Mr. T's Cleaning
Residential ▼ Commercial
Laundry ▼ Windows ▼ Errands
Reasonable Rates
498-0220
HONEST AND DEPENDABLE

Make Way for Dyklings
A new comedy by Aubrey Wertheim
Directed by Sequita Whitfield
RESERVATIONS: 484-4742
LAMBDA PLAYERS
February 4 - March 4
8p.m. Fridays & Saturdays
The Geery Theatre
2130 L Street
$10 Tickets available at the Open Book and at the door the evening of shows.
SPONSORED IN PART BY
Sports Leisure Vacations
Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission
OUTWORD newsmagazine

Barber's Shop Automotive
Specializing in European Makes
1116 18th St.
Between K & L
448-3257
Thank you for helping us achieve this seal of approval!!
We Earned! CONSUMER VALUESTAR
The Symbol of Very High Customer Satisfaction

YOUR LOOKS ARE IMPORTANT
(Commercial & Residential since 1984)
916.489.8903
ENGLISH GARDEN CARE INCORPORATED
Have your landscape properly designed, renovated and maintained by experts. Call for consultation, planning layout and design of any size project.
For Free estimate contact:
J. Taylor Daniels or
Landscape Designer
Mark Satre

Flash 1 Hour Photo
- 1 Hour Photos - 7 Days a Week
- Same Day Photos & Enlargements
- Black & White Processing
- Film, Batteries, Supplies
- Copies From Old Photos
- Instant Full Color Laser Prints
- Studio Portraits & Weddings
- Business Accounts

443-8580
127 J Street Old Sacramento

On The HIV Front

By Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

Unprotected oral sex riskier than originally thought...

A study conducted by researchers the Centers for Disease Control and the University of California at San Francisco shows that giving oral sex without a condom is a more frequent method of becoming infected with HIV than originally thought. Oral sex was the likely cause of 8 percent of recent HIV infections in a study with a group of 102 gay and bisexual men in San Francisco. The only risk behavior found in eight of the men was oral sex, which all of them thought had little or no risk.

New research from the University of Texas in Galveston suggests how and why oral transmission occurs. Saliva has low enough saltiness to destroy infected blood cells, but semen and breast milk are seven times saltier than saliva — thus allowing infected blood cells, and HIV in the blood, to live, say the study's authors. Since blood cells and HIV need a salty environment to live, saliva's ability to destroy infected cells is reduced when semen is added in large enough amounts. Oral transmission of HIV can occur through the membranes of the gums, tongue, esophagus, or tonsils, said the researchers, who are now trying to develop a gel to prevent HIV transmission by copying the protective nature of saliva.

Study says virus started in the 1930s...

Scientists at Los Alamos National Laboratory have used a new statistical method and a complicated genetic mutations computer to trace the origin of HIV to around 1930, over 20 years earlier than the first known human infection. The findings counter a British theory that an experimental polio vaccine tested in the Belgian Congo in the late 1950s helped cause the AIDS epidemic after being tainted by a chimpanzee virus.

Morning-after drugs appear to help...

California researchers studying 401 people who took "morning after" AIDS drugs following risky sexual encounters or drug use report that, so far, none of them have developed HIV infection. Nearly 380 of the volunteers were exposed sexually, mostly through unprotected anal sex. The post-exposure treatment included four weeks of Combivir, a combined pill of AZT and 3TC, or a stronger dose of drugs if the person was exposed to someone who had a resistant strain of HIV. Few side effects were reported. However, because estimated rates for infection through unprotected anal sex range from one in 25 times to as much as one in 225 times, depending on a wide variety of factors, and because the group was very small, the researchers say it is not possible to know exactly how many were actually saved from HIV infection.

Dosages hopefully lower in near future...

Researchers from Bristol-Myers Squibb said they are developing a once-daily drug, combining Videx (DDI) and Zerit (d4T). Current protease inhibitor regimens require six to 20 pills a day, taken throughout the day. A simpler dosing schedule would not only be easier to take, but could also help prevent resistant HIV strains that develop when people skip or take only part of their meds, thus risking the loss of control over the virus. In fact, nearly half of people who initially responded to a treatment plan were unable to stick to the complex pill schedule, and found their virus levels rebounding. Drug makers are continually working on new drugs that require smaller dosages, as well as better version of older drugs. Many are already taking Combivir, a combination of AZT and 3TC/Epivir. Since meds must continually remain in the bloodstream to fight HIV, today's available pills are prescribed to be taken throughout the day. But researchers hope to see, perhaps within the next couple of years, a schedule that includes about 4 pills taken once a day. The small study with 93 people trying the DDI/d4T combo found it to work as effectively as other therapies in reducing HIV loads in their bloodstreams to undetectable levels.

Community impacted by air crash...

Our thoughts are with the families and friends of Brad Long and Bill Knudson, aboard the ill-fated Alaska Airlines flight that recently crashed into the Pacific. The two were generous and continuous supporters of those dealing with this community's AIDS epidemic, as well as delightful and caring men. Their families have asked that any remembrances in their names be made to the Sacramento AIDS Foundation at 1330 - 21st St, to CARES at 1500 - 21st Street or, in Bradley's name, to the SPCA. They shall be missed by countless friends and associates whose lives they touched.

New class of meds for drug resistance...

Experimental new AIDS drugs called entry inhibitors could be better treatments, especially for those with drug-resistant strains of the virus. Entry inhibitors stop HIV from entering cells, so the virus' content never enter the cell's interior. Researchers discovered several years ago a small group of people who had no or only some of a receptor known as CCR5, which is used by HIV to enter cells during initial infection. People who lack CCR5 are likely to be "immune" to HIV, while those with a lower number of CCR5 receptors can acquire the virus but usually experience slow disease progression. Other strategies to block HIV if it evades CCR5 include research on two compounds -- AMD3100, which blocks a receptor called CXCR4, and T-20, which prevents HIV and cell membranes from fusing.

Immune prostitutes remain an HIV mystery...

A study of 1,900 prostitutes in Nairobi, Kenya, is perplexing researchers there. All report having sex with about five clients a day, using condoms with an average of four clients a day, and potentially being exposed to HIV on those occasions when no condom is used. About two-thirds of the women had HIV when the study began, but of the remaining 650 or so, a small number frequently exposed to HIV have not become infected after three years, and four women frequently exposed to HIV became infected with the virus only after stopping work as a prostitute or taking a break of over two months. At the Seventh Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections, researchers said they could not explain the phenomenon, but agreed the solution could aid in the development of a vaccine against AIDS. Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, suggested two possible explanations for the prostitutes' immunity -- that some people may, in fact, need constant exposure to HIV to boost the immune system, or that perhaps semen itself stimulates a short immune reaction in women that helps to protect them.

Double the danger to those already infected...

Reinfection with a second strain of HIV can undo the work you've been doing to keep the first infection under control, and in fact accelerate it, bringing into your body a strain that's possibly drug resistant, says a new study. New technologies have allowed the researchers at Ottawa Hospital in Ontario to clearly identify separate strains of infection, and say folks with HIV should be strongly encouraged to take safe-sex precautions with everyone.

Boxer lobbies for worldwide AIDS help...

Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) has announced plans to introduce the Global AIDS Prevention Act, which would give $2 billion over the next 5 years for HIV prevention abroad, chiefly in Africa. Boxer noted, "AIDS is decimating Africa the way that the plague hit Europe in the 14th century.... The African AIDS epidemic is a global catastrophe that needs a global response."

Over-riding rights to be defined in baby case...

The couple who fled England to avoid having their baby tested for HIV wants to take their case to the European Court of Human Rights. The High Court in England ruled in September that the infant must be tested for HIV, as the mother is HIV-positive and continues to breastfeed the girl. The couple contends that alternative medicine is helping to keep both the mother and child healthy, and that they would not be able to control how their daughter was treated if an HIV test were performed. England's High Court judge ruled that the baby had a right to be treated if she is infected with HIV, which overrides the parents' rights of wanting to avoid testing. The couple fled the country rather than comply.

PacifiCare®
www.pacificare.com

Life With AIDS And My HMO

By John riley, Person with AIDS

As we enter into yet another decade where AIDS still casts its shadow, it is important to note the advances made in the treatment and prevention of the disease. But just as we are making strides, the latest statistics show that African Americans and other people of color are becoming infected at alarming rates. While many of those infected don't have insurance, some do have access to health care through health maintenance organizations, or HMOs. What they may not realize is that AIDS and HMOs can be a healthy combination.

Like millions of Californians, I belong to an HMO. The fact that I am HIV positive and have an AIDS diagnosis means that I use my health plan not just for preventive medicine or emergencies, but to stay alive.

Those living with HIV/AIDS will tell you their full-time job is managing their health care. Upon diagnosis, right away I was faced with decisions that impacted my life greatly: choosing a physician, accessing a specialist who knows HIV/AIDS and obtaining the necessary drugs. I turned to local AIDS organizations for help. I also got involved with other HMO members with HIV/AIDS. I acted as co-chair for a support group, People With PacifiCare, for members in my HMO for more than a year. We met to discuss treatment options and health care solutions.

Many people are surprised that someone with an AIDS diagnosis would support managed care. But the truth is, managed care has benefits that traditional fee-for-service medicine does not for people with chronic illness. Prescription drugs are usually covered by most HMOs for a low co-payment, usually no more than $10 - $15 per prescription. This is important as the amount of medications that I take would easily be in excess of $1,250 per month if I had to pay the full price. This cost savings becomes more important to the many people with HIV/AIDS who take even more medications than I do.

Some traditional fee-for-service plans have lifetime benefit limits that HMOs do not have. It is commonplace that someone with HIV/AIDS could reach the dollar amount limit that exists in fee-for-service, upon which the patient would have to obtain an alternate insurance plan or go on Medicare.

My experience has taught me that educating yourself about your disease and your options are two of the most important factors to getting the appropriate health care. I recently worked with my doctor's office, pharmacist and HMO case manager, to access a drug that I needed that was not on my plan's formulary. It takes advocacy on the HMO member's part to get these things accomplished. If we are unable to advocate for ourselves and there is no one else to assist us with follow - up, then service problems may occur.

An exciting development in all this is how HMOs are working with medical groups to identify treatment options for HIV/AIDS members that work best. Called "Standards of Care", progressive HMOs are applying them to their entire network of doctors. In this way, best treatments can be applied uniformly to everyone, regardless of where you live and access health care.

HMOs can be an advocate for those with HIV/AIDS. If you don't get the medical care or drugs you need immediately let your doctor, medical group and HMO know of your concerns. In addition to verbally telling your doctor, call your HMO and ask to speak to a case manager if one has been assigned. If not, ask your Member Services representative to refer you to one. Many times, members only let their doctor know of their concerns without notifying their medical group and HMO. It is important to let everyone know what your needs are and what you expect.

Managed care is a good option for some people, while for others traditional health insurance works better, especially for those with a close relationship with their current doctor and are unable to access them through a managed care plan. While I obtain health insurance through my employer, many people don't have that option as they are either unemployed or work in jobs that do not offer health benefits.

Managed care can offer a coordinated system of health care that can help people with HIV/AIDS get the best care possible, ensuring that doctors, nurses and hospitals work in concert for the patient. That is the ideal concept. However, it is important for anyone accessing medical care to become as knowledgeable about their condition as they can and inform themselves, how to work with their doctor, medical group and HMO as effectively as possible. Most importantly, is to insure that you'll get the optimal care by having at least one person you trust to advocate on your behalf if you are unable to do so, and to assist you even if you can. I assure you, it will result in a higher quality experience.

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

Health/Wellness/Spirituality

First Time Gay Health Issues Pushed At Federal Level

The nation's largest gay medical association and Columbia University released a joint, comprehensive, preliminary report focusing on the health issues and concerns of GLBT people in the United States.

The report, funded by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration, will influence federal policy as the government sets national health guidelines for the next decade. Policy decisions, as well as funding for research and services, are largely determined by what's called "Healthy People" in this case Healthy People 2010. Some believe health issues not addressed in this 10-year plan will not receive attention at the federal level.

The Gay and Lesbian Medical Association and the center for GLBT Health at Columbia University's Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health timed the paper's release to coincide with federal governmentís launch of Healthy People 2010.

Those involved with health care often confuse issues such as the difference between gender identity and sexual orientation. According to the paper, this is among the many major problems facing researchers and is a serious barrier for GLBT patients seeking care.

In Loving Memory Of Friends Lost In February

February 1985:
Norm Morrison

February 1986:
DeWayne Dale Linam

February 1987:
Daryl Speicher

February 1988:
Brian Parker

February 1989:
Lafayette Terrell
Ron Wallis

February 1990:
David Austin
Maury M.
Ernie Conti
Don Gobel
Ron Shaw

February 1991:
Jimmy Pisciotta

February 1992:
Scott Carlson
Andres Lopez
Connie Lee
David Anderson
Paul P.
Charlie Wells
Bruce C. Bitts

February 1993:
Stephen Warren
Ron Buckner
Russ Steiger
Jack Voyles
Jack Greiner
Michael Rawlins
John Trapp
Michael Schiveley
Steve Colip

February 1994:
Chuck Scaggs
Sonia Esteves-Velazquez
Don Hester
Geddes
David Dobler
Ralph F.
Randy Shilts

February 1995:
Joel Ferreira
Reuel Johnson
David Pope
Randal Chris Bitterman
Michael Chapman
Dick Gallagher
Billie Rae Butulia
Brian Bell
David Arnold
David Trimble

February 1996:
Mark Britton
Terry Childers
William M.
Dennis B.
Chuck Smith

February 1997:
Clifford Wasson
Victor Martin
Mark Allen Britton

February 1998:
Ronnie Diones ("Rachelle")

February 1999:
Terry Hurst
J. B. Hefferlin
Ermine Duccini

In Loving Memory of friends lost last month

January 2000:
Bradley Long
Bill Knudson

As long as you are remembered, you live! To add the names of loved ones to MGW's remembrance column, call 737-0309. For info about creating a NAMES Project AIDS memorial panel, call 484-4164.

Fourth Annual Spring Plant Faire Benefiting the Sacramento AIDS Foundation

The Spring Plant Faire benefiting the Sacramento AIDS Foundation will take place April 15 & 16, 2000 for 9 am to 5 pm in Parking Lot 8-Downtown Sacramento, under the freeway on 21st Street between W and X Streets.

The Spring Benefit Plant Sale has expanded its selection yet again and this year will include trees and shrubs! Other items featured include a large assortment of perennials, over 300 varieties of Begonias, Bamboo in several forms, Geraniums and succulents, miniature Roses, Water Lilies and water plants, semi-tropicals and odd and rare plants not normally seen in local nurseries. There will also be a selection of Eucalyptus garden art and furniture.

Commercial growers providing plants include Valley Perennials (Herald), Sheppard's Geraniums (Galt), Saul's Select (Auburn), Michael's Roses (Sacramento) and Merola's Nursery (Herald). Additional material has been donated to grow for the sale by regional gardeners including Daisy Mah (Land Park Rock Garden), Warren Roberts (UC Davis Arboretum), Barbara Oliva (Old City Cemetery Rose Garden), Sharon Patrician (Perennial Plant Club) and members of the Perennial Plant Club and American Begonia Society.

Free covered parking is available and the sale is under cover. A guarded "hold" area is available to accumulate your plants until you are ready to check out.

Visa and Mastercard are accepted as well as checks and cash.

For further information, to volunteer or to donate plants, please call Robert Hamm at (209) 748-5886

PRINTING
Business Cards • Letterhead • Envelopes
Newsletters • Brochures
For All Your Printing, Advertising & Graphic Design Needs
(916) 683-1537
PHENIX PRINT & IMAGE
PRINTING - ADVERTISING - GRAPHIC DESIGN
Printing Excellence For Our Gay & Lesbian Community

Encore HAIR DESIGNERS a full-service salon
Ask for
Patricia Medina
Hair Design
Massage Therapist
C.M.T.
4840 Folsom Blvd.
457-1000
24 Hour Cancellation Required

The Mystic Shop
Has Gifted Power To Reunite Lost Loves
★ Psychic, Tarot Card Reading
★ Advice In All Problems, Love, & Business
★ All Readings Private & Confidential
★ Aromatherapy Products, Candles, Oils, Crystals, Angels, Incense, Tarot Cards, Books, etc.
Same Day Appointment Available or 24 Hour Recordings By Phone
No Time Limit
9005 ELK GROVE BLVD.
685-5645

OLGA'S HOUSEHOLD SERVICES AGENCY
HOUSECLEANING
WASHING • IRONING
PARTIES • SERVING
MOVE INS • MOVE OUTS
A REFERRAL AGENCY
$6 OFF FIRST SERVICE
453-0762
"When you want the best"

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Advertising Services
MGW Newspaper, 1725 L St., 441-6397

AIDS Services
Breaking Barriers, 1722 J St., #321, 447-AIDS
C.A.R.E.S., 1500 21 St., 443-3299
Metropolitan Community Center For AIDS, 1722 J St. #8, 447-2444
Names Project, AIDS Memorial Quilt, Sacramento Chapter, 3104 O St., PMB 357, ozmar.com, 484-5646
Sacramento AIDS Foundation, 1330 21st St., #100, 448-2437

Associations
Capital City Squares, George Rox, CapCitySqs@aol.com, 929-8697
Sacramento Arts & Games Association, 451-8663

Attorneys
Brian D. Gantman, 1006 4th St., 6th Flr., 446-7096
Eileen Gillis, 455 University Ave., #350, 568-1493
Andrew Last, 2150 Capital Ave., #100, 446-5574
Allan Owen, Attorney; Ordas, Timmons, Owen & Owen Inc., 906 G St., #610, 444-0321
Mark La Rocque, Attorney, 725 30th St., #101, 498-0431
Deos & McGill, 225 30th St., #306, 442-6610
Law Offices Of Rosemary Metrailer, 2206 K St. Suite J, 447-7258
Patrick & Euretig, 1555 Riverpark Dr., Suite 107, 927-8326
Olson, Hagel, Liedich, Waters, & Fishburn, 555 Capitol Mall, #1425, 442-2952

Automotive Services
Barber Shop Automotive, 1116 18th St., 448-3257
Big O' Tires, 16th & L St., 443-2900; 5701 Folsom Blvd., 452-5946
Gem Car Wash, 5150 Freeport Blvd., 451-6524
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Bars/Nightclubs
Faces, 2000 K St., 448-7798
Hamburger Mary's, 1630 J St., 441-4340
Joseph's Cafe & Bar, 1454 Del Paso Blvd., 922-8899
Mercantile, 20th & L., 447-0792
The Bolt, 2560 Boxwood St., 649-8420
The Depot, 2001 K St., 441-6823
Townhouse, 1517 21st St., 441-5122

Bicycles
American River Bike, 6391 Riverside Blvd., 427-6199
City Bicycle Works, 2419 K St., 447-2453

Board Of Supervisors
700 H St., Rm. 2450,
District 1: Roger Dickinson, 874-5485
District 2: Illa Collin, 874-5481
District 3: Murial Johnson, 874-5481
District 4: Robert Niello, 874-5491
District 5: Don Nottoli, 874-5485

Boating
Barbary Coast Boating Club, 415-905-6267

Books
The Open Book, 910 21st St., 498-1004

Car Wash
Gem Auto Care, 5150 Freeport Blvd., 451-6524

Cemeteries/Mortuaries
East Lawn Memorial Park & Mortuaries, 732-2000

Chiropractors
Rocklin Chiropractic Clinic, 5875 Pacific St., Suite D, Dr. Jim Carlson, 624-0682

Churches
Central United Methodist Church, 5265 H St., 452-5016
Dignity, 2529 K St., 916-492-6452
River City MCC, Cathedral of Promise, 10500 Chaplain Ave., Matherfield Rd., 364-4325

City Council
City Hall, Rm. 205, 915 I St.
Mayor Jimmy Yee: 264-5300
City Council Session Call-In, Cable Channel 73, 264-8255
District 1: Heather Fargo, 264-7001
District 2: Rob Kerth, 264-7002
District 3: Steve Cohn, 264-7003
District 4: Jimmie Yee, 264-7004
District 5: Laureen Hammond, 264-7005
District 6: Dave Jones, 264-7006
District 7: Robbie Waters, 264-7007
District 8: Bonnie Pannell, 264-7008

City Park
City Park Reservations, 277-6060

Copies/Computers
Inland Business Machines, 928-0804

Dry Cleaning Services
Freeport Cleaners, 2001 4th St., 449-5249

Financial Services
Killick Financial Services, 2321 Lloyd Ln., 486-8985
Merrill Lynch, Camille Wojtasiak, 1435 River Park Dr., #100, 648-6229

Florists
Blooming Art, 1901 Capital Ave., 442-3800
Crestview Florist, Manzanita & Winding Way, 482-7974

Furniture Refinishing
Patrick's Furniture Refinishing & Upholstery, 931 Washington Blvd., Suite 111, Roseville, 786-6615

Gardening Services
English Garden Care, 489-8903
River City Lawn & Garden Care, P.O. Box 1716, Elk Grove, 344-4060

Graphic Design
MGW Typesetting & Graphics, 1725 L St., 441-6397

Groceries
Taylors Market, 2900 Freeport Blvd., 443-6881

Hair Stylists
Associates Hair Design, 3714 J St., 455-0667
Encore Hair Designers, 4840 Folsom Blvd., 457-1000

Halls/Meeting Places
Channel 6, KVIE, Ose Community Rm., 2595 Capital Oaks Dr., 929-5843
Musicians Hall, 1925 Del Paso Blvd., 565-2500
SMUD Building, 6301 S St., 916-732-5310
Verona Village Resort, 6985 Garden Hwy., 448-0706

Hotels/Inns/Resorts
Edgewater Resort, 6420 Soda Bay Rd., Kelseyville, Clearlake, 707-279-0208
Hartley House Bed And Breakfast Inn, 700 22nd St., 447-7829
La Residence Country Inn, 4066 St. Helena Hwy, Napa Valley; David & Craig; 707-253-0337

Housekeeping/Janitorial
Olga's Household Services Agency, 453-0762

Information
MGW Newspaper Archives, Past Issues Are Available On Microfilm At The Main
Sacramento Library, CSUS Library, San Francisco Main Library

Insurance
Allstate, Dan Huffman, 5300 Madison Ave., Suite A, 344-3095
Farmers Insurance, Sue Wolf, 910 Florin Rd. #104, 421-0390
Wright & Kimbrough, 3231 Ramos Cr. #100, 362-6666

Internet Services
Digital Image, Steve Sweetzer, 391-2410
SACWEB, 446-7457; 888-772-2932

Jewelry
Arareity Fine Jewelry, 1021 R St., 446-1535
Jak Metzens Fine Jewelry, In The Rotunda, Downtown Plaza, 446-7711

Lenders
Danny Figueroa Senior Loan Officer, AccuBanc Mortgage Corp., 1601 Response Rd., #206, 564-9500
Shirleen Von Hoffmann, Loan Officer Vice President, North American Mortgage Co., 8950 Cal Center Dr., #100, 854-7757

Mail Box Rental/Shipping
Alhambra Mail & Parcel, 3104 O St., 731-4440

Nursery
Lotus Valley Nursery/Garden, 5606 Peterson Lane, Lotus, 626-7001

Optometrists
Dr. Cameron Yee, 6407 Riverside Blvd., 395-0673

Pagers
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Pet Care
Animal Housecall, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967
Capital Aquarium, 29th & T St., 452-5556
Fur People Pet Sitting, 457-1655
Home & Critter Sitter, 3104 O St., 447-0735
Kennel Room: Small Dog & Cat Grooming, 3104 Fulton Ave., 482-4542
Natomas Animal Medical Hospital, 615 Northfield Dr., 925-6138
Precious Pets, 5960 S. Land Park Dr., 454-9930
Pocket Animal Medical Hospital, 7465 Rush River Dr., 395-7387
Sunset Pet Hospital, 7751 Sunset Ave., 967-7768
Waggin Tails K9 Waste Removal, 987-8587

Photography
Photography By Larry, 645-8447; 800-916-FOTO

Printing
Phenix Print & Image, 7600 Greenhaven Dr., 427-6986

Psychics
Looking Beyond, 1-888-700-9342, 1-877-745-4155, 1-900-454-4255

Real Estate
Cook Realty, Charon Jenner, 4305 Freeport Blvd, 763-1781
Kelley Realty, 6373 Riverside Blvd., Suite 124, 393-1111
Randy Hartley, 730 Alhambra Blvd., Coldwell Banker, 447-6545
Pfingst Realty, 9978 Folsom Blvd., 362-1166

Realtors
Mark Whisler, Realtor - Broker, Whisler Land Company, 446-6666
Brian McMartin, Realtor, Whisler Land Company, 451-5767
Rennie Gamez, Realtor, Whisler Land Company, 802-2845
Dennis Neufeld, Realtor -Broker, Whisler Land Company, 446-6663

Remodeling
Feather Your Nest Home Repair, Gayle Rendleman, 652-4204
Cherry Home Improvement: Windows/Doors, 933-0506

Restaurants
City Treasure, 1730 L St., 447-7380
Dos Coyotes Border Cafe, 1735 Arden Way, 927-0377 (Market Square)
Hamburger Mary's 1630 J St., 441-4340
Jack's Urban Eats, 20th & Capitol, 444-0307
Joseph's Cafe & Bar, 1454 Del Paso & Arden, 922-8899
Paesano's, 1802 Capital Ave., 447-8646
Sacramento Brew- Pub, Town & Country Village, 485-4677

Stereo Repair
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Taxes
Malkasian Accountancy, Roxeanne HardenBurgh, 3800 Watt Ave., #250, 971-9315

Therapists/Psychologists
Bruce Gunn, MFCC#M19480, 418 Alhambra Blvd., 443-7171
Deborah Otten, MFCC# Mv023109, 820 24th St., 443-6253
Carol Seidel, LCSW# 8474, 455-1162
Todd Van Laningham, 11620 Fair Oaks Blvd., # 203, 736-0828
Sandra Warne, MFCC#30585, 650 Howe Ave #730, 568-1025
Ellie Zacks, Ph.D., 6359 Auburn Blvd., 725-4713
Linda Tell, RN, MFT25888, 1731 I St., 443-6761

Thrift Store
MCC Good Samaritan Store, 3230 Broadway, 454-5019
Sutter Hospice/Roseville, 2120 Harding Blvd., 783-5509

Travel
Sports Leisure Travel, 9527 Folsom Blvd., 361-2051
Uniglobe Expo Travel, Uwe Thaysen, 2100 Arden Way #220, 920-1701, 800-789-8785

Upholstery
Patrick's Furniture Refinishing And Upholstery, 931 Washington Blvd., Suite 111, Roseville, 786-6615

VCR Repair
Ray's Auto Stereo & Alarms, 1925 F St., 447-9753

Veterinarians
Animal Housecall, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967
Natomas Animal Medical Hospital, 615 Northfield Dr., 916-925-6138
Pocket Animal Medical Center, 7465 Rush River Dr., # 830, 916-395-7378

GRAPHIC ARTIST

MGW Newspaper is seeking a full time Graphic Artist!

Mac Experience needed... PageMaker your bag? Do you excel in Photoshop? Can you work in an extremely fast paced environment and be in charge of your own department? Can you meet tight deadlines? Full Time employment awaits you! Fax your resume and salary requirements to: 441-6422.

Call 441-6397, bring your resume by our office at 1725 L Street, or fax it to: 441-6422

MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER

Classifieds

MGW CLASSIFIED POLICY: Check your ad. Credit only for errors. Deadline is 10th and 25th of each month. Ads must be paid in advance. No refunds. No phone orders. Cancellation fee: $10 service charge. MGW Newspaper will not accept classified advertising that is discriminating per Goven. Code Sec. 12955, Calif. Fair Employment and Housing Act. Ads may not contain language that is discriminatory based on sex, race, color, ancestry, religious creed, national origin, physical disability (including HIV/AIDS), mental disability, medical condition, age and/or marital status.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GARDEN CLUB
A Sacramento lesbian garden club is being established. All interested participants call Glenda. 443-2630 tfn

ISSUES MAGAZINE: NEW GIRL ON THE BLOCK!
A new magazine for lesbians of color is being published in Oakland and they are looking for writers who are talented, innovative and unique. Veteran journalists and the previously unpublished are equally welcome. Send us your writing samples, a brief bio, resume, & a statement about yourself including ideas you might have and/or what you'd like to cover. ISSUES Publishing Co., PMB#435, 484 Lake Park Ave., Oakland, CA 94610, Stephanie Daniels, 510-593-4453 tfn

LAW/CORRECTIONS GROUP FORMING
Women employed in law/corrections and living in No. San Joaquin/So. Sacramento areas who are interested in forming an informal group for social activities, BBQs, movies, etc. 209-744-1645 tfn

LESBIANS 40 AND OVER
Wanted to help with a survey about breast cancer risks, 800-884-9228 tfn

RUNNING/WALKING CLUB
Sacramento has a G L running club! Come join Frontrunners/walkers on one of our weekly fun runs. All levels are encouraged, 974-8199 tfn

ARCHIVES

HISTORY AT THE LIBRARIES
Past issues of MGW Newspaper are available on microfilm at the main Sacramento library and CSUS library tfn

EMPLOYMENT

BE YOUR OWN BOSS
Flexible schedule, paid daily, Olga's Household Service, 453-0772 tfn

YOUTH CRISIS LINE
Be there for a youth in crisis by volunteering for the California Youth Crisis Line. No experience necessary. Free training program. 340-0505

WORK IN YOUR OWN LIFESTYLE
MGW is accepting applications for Account Executives. Applicants must enjoy talking to business owners, be neat in appearance, and have transportation. Newspaper and telemarketing experience helpful. Great Commissions! If you would like a career that is constantly changing call 441-6397 tfn

DELIVERY DRIVER WANTED
Full or part time position. Pickup & deliver for a south area printing & advertising firm. Great working enviornment, full benefits available. Must have neat appearance and good driving record. Company vehicle provided. Call 683-1537. tfn

POLICE CADET/OFFICER
The mission of the Sacramento Police Department is to work in partnership with the community to protect life, property, help solve neighborhood problems and enhance the quality of life in our city. The candidate should be interested in progressive styles policing, community, neighborhood, and problem oriented policing. Police Cadet is a classification in which candidates for Police Officer train in a P.O.S.T. certified police academy conducted by the Sacramento Police Department. Upon successful completion of the training and graduation from the academy, a Police Cadet is eligible for probationary appointment to the sworn civil service classification of Police Officer. Police Cadet Salary: $1,953. Police Officer salary: $2,649-$4,389, 264-5726 tfn

DELIVERY DRIVERS NEEDED
Twice a month on the 1st and 15th. $100 / route. Sacramento, Roseville, & Davis area. Must have van, covered truck, or large car. Good driving record and be dependable. Call 441-6397, or stop by MGW, 1725 L Street. tfn

WANNA WORK IN A REAL NEWSPAPER OFFICE?
College internships available at MGW Newspaper in graphics, reporting, photography, computers, ad sales, public relations, financial and artists. Units are given in 195/199 or 295/299. Contact your advisor in your department and call MG, 441-6397 tfn

FOR RENT

GREAT LOCATION
Retail space, great visibility! L & 18th Streets near MGW. Great Midtown Location. Don Thomas 961-8730 tfn

FOR SALE

VIDEO DIRECTORY
Gay Video Directory; 212 color pages, 1,000 video reviews, plot, erotic content, $10.95. AVG, Dept, 4055-8, 8060 Melrose Ave., L.A., CA 90046-7082 tfn

PETS

ADOPT-A-PET
Faux Paw Kennels, all breed rescue, Claire 988-6255 or Mary 387-8811 tfn

ANIMAL PLACE RESCUE
Vacaville, 707-449-4814 tfn

TOY DOG WANTED
AIDS long-term survivor wants toy size dog for affectionate pet & companion. Any breed or mix, male or female. Must be spade or neutered, & housebroken. Jorden 448-6725 tfn

WORKING PETS
Pets: Do you go to work with your mom or dad? Mom or Dad: MGW Newspaper would like to feature you and your pet. Send us a photo with caption or call 441-6397. tfn

DACHSHUNDS
Dachshunds Rescue needs homes, all types. Pat 916-443-0244 tfn

PERSONAL

TRY ME BABY
I'm a young handsome black male 28 years old; who stands a handsome 5'9" 160 in weight, brown eyes, and black wavy hair. I am seeking to share this ton of love I possess with a loving companion who's capable of carrying the weight. My heart is real. Please write: Terrance Jones #293073, Florida State Prison, P.O. Box 181, Starke, Florida 32091. "No Games".

SERVICES

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
North Hall 2831 Riverside Blvd., nightly 8pm. Dan 486-0331, Karla, 568-6714 tfn

NEW RAINBOW PHOTOS
View new personal photography images online or call Photography by Larry for your photographic needs! All subjects. All occasions. www.1-800-916-FOTO.com/rainbow/ 645-8447 tfn

MAN TO MAN
Full body massage to relieve your stiff muscle(s). Private, discreet. XXX video. Discount available. Call for appt 920-3623 2/15

PHOTOGRAPHY
Location portraits, celebrations, couples or personal requests. Consultation, private processing offered, 916-645-8447; 800-916-FOTO tfn

GAY MEN'S GROUP
A weekly supportive gay man's group for single or partnered adults. Address and resolve personal issues of self-esteem, career, or relationships. Call David Hoefer, MFT, Wed evening 7:30-9pm. $24,00 per week 2/15

MR. T'S CLEANING
Reasonable rates for house cleaning and other services. honest, dependable and willing to assist your needs. 498-0220 tfn

YOUTH CRISIS LINE TRAINING PROGRAM
Young people in crisis need a supportive and caring person to listen. You can become that person by volunteering for the California Youth Crisis Line. No experience is necessary and bilingual individuals are encouraged to inquire. 340-0505 tfn

GAY MEN'S GROUP
A weekly, supportive, gay manis group for single or partnered gay adults. Address and resolve personal issues of self-esteem, career, or relationships. Call David Hoefer, MFT, Wed Eve's 7:30-9pm. $24 per week.

OFFICE SPACE

MUST SEE!
Proffesional Tenant wanted to share office space in Midtown office at 20th & J Streets. 328sq. feet in primary office, admin. office and common area. All amenities included. Gross lease includes everything except phone and parking. All New. MUST SEE! 485-9845 tfn

WANTED

DONATED MAC/PCs
Laptops and desktop computers needed for MGW reporters. Call 916-441-6397 tfn

HANDY PEOPLE NEEDED
Do you know any gay or lesbian masonry people, roofers, plumbers, electricians, carpet companies or painters? We want to keep the money in the community. MGW referral service. 441-6397 tfn

SPEAKERS WANTED
Rainbow Bridge is a new non-profit coalition of GLBT and straight people interested in reducing homophobia by community outreach and public speaking. They need speakers, fundraisers, telephone workers and clerical support staff. Speaker training available. Info: Paula658-0892. tfn

MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER

OUR WISH LIST!

1) 8 1/2" x 11" white + colored paper

2) Also, 11" x 17" paper

3) Recent models of Mac & PC Desktops and Laptops

4) Someone that wants recycled papers, $20/ton

Call Us!! 441-NEWS

CLASSIFIEDS/BUSINESS DIRECTORY LISTINGS

1

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (W) _____

Phone (H) _____

Signature _____

2 Payments:

Business Directory Listings $15.00
Personal Classified up to 30 words $10.00
Business / Services Classified up to 30 words $20.00
Additional Words @ 40¢ each ..... $_____
..... Subtotal $_____
Multiply subtotal by #_____ of issues ..... **Total** $_____

(Make checks payable to MGW Newspapers. Do not send cash.)

MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER

Mail/In Person/Fax/Email to:

MGW Newspaper
1725 L Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Fax: 916 441-6422
Email: info@mgwnews.com

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Date Rec'd _____
Amt. Rec'd _____
Check# _____
Exp. Date _____

3 Policies:

- **Include full name, address & daytime phone number on coupon. MGW will not accept your ad without phone numbers for verification. This information will be kept strictly confidential. No Phone Orders. No Cash Refunds. $25 will be charged for bounced checks. $10 service charge assessed on refunds for cancelled ads.**
- **All ads must be prepaid. No ads containing explicit sexual references or crude language will be accepted. We reserve the right to abbreviate, edit, categorize, or refuse any ad. Do not write your ad in all capitol letters.**
- **Business Directory Listings are $15 per issue. No discounts will apply. Listing may include only: business name, address and phone number.**

DEADLINES:

- **1st Issue of the month: – 7 calendar days before.**
- **15th Issue of the month: – 7 calendar days before.**

4 Check Classified Category:

- ❑ Announcements
- ❑ Employment
- ❑ For Rent
- ❑ For Sale
- ❑ Freebies
- ❑ Lesbians Seeking Lesbians
- ❑ Men Seeking Men
- ❑ Miscellaneous
- ❑ Roommates
- ❑ Services ($20 each)
- ❑ Wanted
- ❑ Other (write in please...) _____

5 Business Directory:

Category: _____ Address: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

6 Please print ad here: **10 word minimum for Classified ads.**

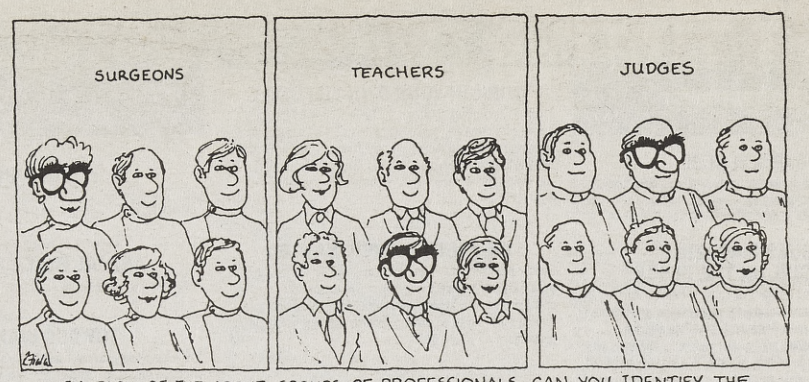
Free Headline (2-3 words): _____

Gay & Lesbian Square Dancing?

It's Great Fun!

Partners & special clothes NOT necessary
First 3 lessons free!

Capital City Squares
(916) 929-8697
www.iagsdc.org/capitalcitysquares



IN EACH OF THE ABOVE GROUPS OF PROFESSIONALS, CAN YOU IDENTIFY THE ONE GAY PERSON TRYING TO PASS AS STRAIGHT?

The Law Offices of Andrew Last

AGGRESSIVE & COMPREHENSIVE LEGAL COUNSEL

- Criminal Defense
- Family Law
- Social Security

2150 Capitol Ave.
Suite #100

446-5574

Sensitive to your needs!

Bungalow Charm
Land Park Area – 2010 Sloat Way
near 21st & 2nd Ave.
$142,500

Private tree-lined street with 12 homes (4 Gay & Lesbian homes!) Beautifully landscaped, new 1 1/2 garage + workroom, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, Dining room, Living room, Fireplace, many built-ins, beautiful moldings, great storage, remodeled kitchen. Call owner Rita 453-0947

EAST LAWN

A Family of Cemeteries and Mortuaries serving the Community since 1904

All services • 24 Hours • Pre-need planning
Call for free information

EAST LAWN MEMORIAL PARK AND MORTUARIES
Jacob Streeter, Cemetery Manager

EAST LAWN • 732-2000
~ Now, not later. Together, not alone. ~

SUBTLE *tease*

An Erotic Salon

1903 Capitol Ave., Sacramento, CA 95814 • 447-6900

Quench Your Desire!

THE CONFIDENTIAL CONNECTION®
someone wants to meet you!
916-489-9805
use free access code: 2602
www.confidentialconnection.com Record, listen and respond to ads FREE!

Just $1.98-$2.49 per minute for certain optional features. 18+ Movo Media, Inc. does not prescreen callers and takes no responsibility for personal meetings. 800- 825-1598

Please don't forget to tell advertisers you saw their ad in MGW!

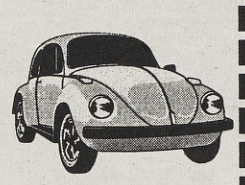
Always Our Children

A Catholic Support Group
for parents of lesbian, gay, and bisexual children of any age

- **A SAFE SPACE**
to share the laughter and tears, the hopes and fears, the insight and confusion involved in loving that child.
- **AN OPPORTUNITY**
to receive the support of other parents who have already struggled to accept the sexuality of their lesbian, gay, or bisexual children.
- **A PLACE OF COMPASSION**
where parents can support other parents who are just beginning that journey of acceptance.
- **AN ENVIRONMENT OF TRUST**
and confidentiality where participants can speak openly without fear of being outed.

For information on meetings, interested parents may leave a message at (916) 497-1365

GEM AUTO CARE



CAR WASH

All Cloth! Brushless!

5150 Freeport Blvd.
(1 block north of Fruitridge)
451-6524
Mon/Sat 8am Sun 8:30 am

The Bubbliest Place on Earth!

$5.00 OFF
WORKS PACKAGE
Includes: Full Service Wash, Polish Wax, Sealant, Air Freshener, Undercarriage Wash, Wheels Cleaned, And Tires Dressed. MGW 369
REG. $25.35. Price subject to change without notice.
Gem Auto Wash With coupon. Void with other offers.

50% OFF
MANAGER'S PACKAGE
Includes: full service wash, rainbow wax, clear coat sealant, underbody wash, rust inhibitor & air freshener. MGW 369
REG. $25.35. Price subject to change without notice.
Gem Auto Wash With coupon. Void with other offers.

CALENDER

February

15th Tuesday

THE MYSTERY OF IRMA VEP, Woodland Opera House, through February 19; 340 Second St, 530-666-9617
COFFEE OUT, GSAC, Natomas Starbucks, Kevin or Randal; 683-5708

16th Wednesday

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 7pm, call for more information 442-4657
FREE REIKI EXCHANGE, call 530-753-9900
FRONTRUNNERS, 6:30pm; McKinley Park, 974-8199
LIONESS WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP, Galleria Java City, 29th & J, 7pm, 455-9403/921-9852
WOMEN'S READING GROUP, Barnes & Nobles, 7pm, 1725 Arden Way, 565-0644
EVENING READING GROUP, Open Book, 910 21st St., 7pm, 498-1004

17th Thursday

VOICE OF THE VALLEY AUDITIONS; Bannon Creek School; 2775 Millcreek; 7pm, 622-1444
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10 pm
ECLECTIC TRASH READING GROUP, Open Book, 910 21st St, 7:30pm, 498-1004
CSUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH LECTURE, University Union Orchard Suite, 278-6156
CSUS LECTURE, 4pm, University Union Auditorium, 278-6156

18th Friday

SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, SAF 1330 21st Street, 12noon-1:30pm, 552-1442
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel # 73, 4pm
LITERARY SOCIAL GROUP, DOT, 7pm, 451-7191
CSUS LECTURE, Jump Time - Year 2000, 7-10 pm, University Union Ballroom, 278-4433
CSUS LECTURE, Rich Media - Poor Democracy, 3pm, Mendocino Hall, 1005; 278-6156
FAMILY ALLIANCE, orientation, 10am-12noon, 364-8910

19th Saturday

BEING GAY TODAY; Channel 73, 6am
FRONTRUNNERS; 9am, University Ave., 974-8199
COFFEE & COVERSATION, DOT, 7pm, 772-1371
CSUS LECTURE, Jump Time - Year 2000, 7-10 pm, University Union Ballroom, 278-4433
VALENTINES DANCE, Singles Mingle Couples Dance, 8-11:30pm, Most Holy Redeemer Church, 100 Diamond Street, SF

20th Sunday

JAMES MITCHELL CHORALE; Crocker Art Museum; 264-5423
EBONY ARCHIVES, Open Book, 910 21st St., 4pm, 498-1004
CSUS LECTURE, Jump Time - Year 2000, 7-10 pm, University Union Ballroom, 278-4433

21st Monday

PRESIDENTS DAY
CSUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH LECTURE, University Union Foothill Suite, 278-6156
CSUS MUSIC, Piano series master class, 2pm, Music Recital Hall
CSUS ART, Pine Tree Photography Group, University Union Exhibit Lounge, 278-6156
FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199

22nd Tuesday

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY
SACRAMENTO AREA BI-SEXUAL NETWORK MEETING, Open Book, 910 21st St., 7pm, 498-1004
CSUS MUSIC, 8pm, Music Recital Hall, 278-4323

23rd Wednesday

WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP, 7pm, call for more information 442-4657
FRONTRUNNERS; 6:30pm; McKinley Park, 974-8199
EVENING READING GROUP, Open Book, 910 21st St., 7pm, 498-1004
CSUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH LECTURE, University Union Foothill Suite, 278-6156
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
SACRAMENTO KINGS, Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau's Business Mixer, 5:15pm, game at 7:30pm, 264-8990
MAYORAL CANDIDATE FORUM, 7-9pm, 1008 10th Street, suite 225
FAMILY ALLIANCE, orientation, 6:30-8:30pm, 364-8910

24th Thursday

WHO/DOUGLASS-LEE PRODUCTION, Woodland Junior High & Opera House, 9am and noon; 340 Second St, 530-666-9617
VOICE OF THE VALLEY AUDITIONS; Bannon Creek School; 2775 Millcreek; 7pm, 622-1444
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10 pm
BRINGING INTUITION TO WORK, Barnes & Nobles, 1725 Arden Way, 7pm, 565-0644
LESBIAN BOOK CLUB, Open Book, 910 21st St., 7pm, 498-1004

CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732

25th Friday

SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, SAF 1330-21st Street, 12noon-1:30pm, 552-1442
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm
FRONTRUNNERS; 9am, University Ave., 974-8199
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
CSUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH LECTURE & 5th ANNUAL RALLY, University Union Ballroom, 278-6156
WINTER WINE & FOOD FEST, Sacramento Convention Center, 6pm, 372-2995

26th Saturday

PEANUTS & THE NO.1, Women's Philharmonic, 8pm; Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Theater, SF, 415-437-0123
BEING GAY TODAY; Channel 73, 6am
GAY & LESBIAN 2000 BUSINES & ENTERTAINMENT FESTIVAL, New York, 1-800-243-9774
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
FRONTRUNNERS; 9am, University Ave., 974-8199

27th Sunday

GAY & LESBIAN 2000 BUSINESS & ENTERTAINMENT FESTIVAL, New York, 1-800-243-9774

POETRY 101, Open Book, 910 21st St.,4pm, 498-1004

28th Monday

SCIENCE FICTION BOOK CLUB, Open Book, 910 21st St., 6pm, 498-1004
CSUS BLACK HISTORY MONTH LECTURE, University Union Orchard Suite, 278-6156

FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199

29th Tuesday

WINE TASTING & SILENT AUCTION, CGNIE, La Raza Galleria Posada, 704 O St., 452-3866

March

1st Wednesday

FRONTRUNNERS, 6:30pm; McKinley Park, 974-8199

2nd Thursday

FAURE REQUIEM, Sacramento Master Singers, 8pm, First United Methodist Church, 21st & J St., 338-0300
VOICE OF THE VALLEY AUDITIONS, Bannon Creek School; 2775 Millcreek; 7pm, 622-1444

BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10 pm

3rd Friday

BIGHORN RODEO, IGRA, thru March 5; Las Vegas, 888-643-6472
FAURE REQUIEM, Sacramento Master Singers, 3pm, First United Methodist Church, 21st & J St., 338-0300
TGIF; BACW; 6-8pm; Castro Hibachi; 4063 18th Street; 415-495-3727
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
MARDI GRAS IN OLD SAC, 558-3912
SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, SAF 1330 21st Street, 12noon-1:30pm, 552-1442

4th Saturday

BIGHORN RODEO, IGRA, thru March 5; Las Vegas, 888-643-6472
BEING GAY TODAY; Channel 73, 6am
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
MARDI GRAS IN OLD SAC, 558-3912
RALLY FOR OUR RIGHTS, Capital Building, 1pm, 415-861-5437

FRONTRUNNERS; 9am, University Ave., 974-8199

5th Sunday

BIGHORN RODEO, IGRA; Las Vegas, 888-643-6472
14th ANNUAL GOLDEN STATE INDOOR ROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS; CSUS Aquatic Center, 985-7239
MOVIE MATINEE, DOT, 501-4160
CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
MARDI GRAS IN OLD SAC, 558-3912

6th Monday

CSUS DANCE, Solano Hall, 8pm, 451-3732
FRONTRUNNERS, McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199

7th Tuesday

ELECTION DAY VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 22/ KNIGHT INITIATIVE

8th Wednesday

FRONTRUNNERS; 6:30pm; McKinley Park, 974-8199

9th Thursday

LASER VAUDEVILLE, Woodland Opera House School Outreach Program, 9am, 11am and 1pm; 340 Second St, 530-666-9617
BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 10 pm

10th Friday

BEING GAY TODAY, Channel 73, 4pm
SEX AND LOVE ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, SAF 1330 21st Street, 12noon-1:30pm, 552-1442

EVENTS MASTER CALENDER

The Real Women Project, realwomenproject.com	January 20-22, 2000
Las Vegas Bighorn Rodeo, 888-643-6472	March 3-5, 2000
Lesbians of Achievement, Vision and Action Awards	March 18, 2000
Earth Day UCD	April 22, 2000
Millennium March	April 30, 2000
Pride Ride 2000, 800-966-3896	April 30, 2000
CAP/PAC Annual Dinner, 736-2722	June 2000
Canadian Rockies Int'l Rodeo, 403-541-8140	June 30 - July 2, 2000
SAC Sierra Stampede, 978-4040	August 18-20, 2000
Greater San Diego Rodeo, 619-298-4708	September 15-17, 2000
Rosh Hahanah	September 30, 2000
Breast Cancer Awareness Month	October 2000
Coming Out Day	October 11, 2000
Remembrance Day	October 12, 2000
MGW Newspaper 21st Anniversary Celebration	November 2000
Election Day	November 7, 2000
SAC Domestic Partners Law Anniversary 1992	November 16, 2000
Harvey Milk & George Moscone's Lives Ended	November 27, 2000
World AIDS Day, A Day Without Art; 448-AIDS	December 1, 2000
SAF Let the Miracles Begin, 448-AIDS	December 2000
Gay Games	November 2002

THEATRE/DANCE/ORCHESTRA

AMERICAN RIVER COLLEGE; Brighton Beach Memoirs, February 25 thru March 5; The Glass Menagerie, April 28 thru May 7, 2000; 4700 College Oaks Dr., 916-484-8234
ARDEN PLAYHOUSE;"The Murder Room" February 11th through April 8th, Friday & Saturday nights only, 2120 Royale Rd.; 927-0942
B STREET THEATRE, Robinson Crusoe, February 26th; The Lonesome West; February 27th through April 9th; 2711 B St., 916-443-5300
CAMELLIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, Toward the Unknown Region - We shall not cease from exploration, April 1; Time Future Time Past - California and Beyond, May 20, 21; 929-6655
CITY THEATRE, What the Butler Saw, February 25 thru March 25; As You Like It, April 14 thru May 20; Sacramento City College, 3835 Freeport Blvd., 558-2228
EAGLE THEATRE; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, February 18 thru April 1; Pippin, April 21 thru June 3; 925 Front St., Old Sacramento, 207-1226
GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE; Nunsense II, thru February 27; The Odd Couple March 3rd-April 16th; Forever Plaid, April 21st - June 11th; Blues in the Night, Aug. 4th - Sept. 24th; Greater Tuna, Sept. 29th - November 12th; Christmas in Time, November 17th - January 7th, 2000; Hwy 50 at Hazel Ave., 985-6361
GEERY THEATRE;"Make Way For Dyklings", Through March 4th; 24th St. Theatre; 2791 24th St.; 366-3904
GEORGE COATES PERFORMANCE WORKS; Archbishop's Ceiling, February 23rd thru March 23rd; 110 McAllister St., SF; 415-863-8520/415-392-4400
MAIN STREET THEATRE WORKS; The Lion In Winter, March 3rd-25th, Historic Sutter Creek Theatre, 44Hwy. 49, 209-267-1590
NEW CONSERVATORY THEATRE CENTER; 25 Van Ness Avenue, Lower Lobby at Market St., SF, 415
861-8972RIVER STAGE; The Scottsboro Boys, March 4-26, 2000; Playwright's Festival, May 11-14, 2000; Gurley, July 8-23, 2000; 8401 Center Parkway, 916-688-7138
RUTH ROSENBERG DANCE ENSEMBLE; Other Visions 2000, February 26th, 8pm 24th Street Theatre, 2791 24th St., 916-457-7733
SACRAMENTO BALLET; La Sonnambula, March 30 thru April 2, 2000; 1631 K St., 264-5181
SACRAMENTO COMMUNITY CENTER THEATRE; The Parsons Dance Company; February 17th, 8pm, 530-757-3199
SACRAMENTO LIGHT OPERA ASSOCIATION; March 7th-12th;Tosca, February through June, 2000; THE SCARLET PIMPERNEL, April 18th-23rd; TRIUMPH OF LOVE, MAY 16th-21St; TITTANIC, June 20th-25th; 557-1999, 264-5181, or 766-BASS
SACRAMENTO MASTER SINGERS; "FAURE REQIUEM", March 4th, 8pm, March 5th, 3pm, United Methodist Church, 21st and J street, 338-0300
SACRAMENTO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA; "Legacy Planning Workshop" February 26th, 1-3pm, KVIE Channel 6 Studio, 2595 Capitol Oaks Drive, 927-4444
SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY; Same Time, Next Year, thru April 9; Old Wicked Songs, February 22-March 19; Alabama Sky, April 4-30; 1419 H St., 916-443-6722
SACRAMENTO WOMENS CHORUS; Holly Near, "How Far We've Come", March 4th, 8pm 24th Street Theatre Sierra II Center, 2791 24th Street; 447-5956, 920-1121, 758-8058
SACRAMENTO YOUTH SYMPHONY; Winter Concert; February 27th, 3pm, Sacramento City College Theatre; 3835 Freeport Blvd., 388-5777
SFJAZZ; Weekend 1:Joshua Redman; Grace Cathedral; March 17th; Music of Wayne Shorter; Masonic Auditorium; March 18th; Joe Lovano Group; March 19th; Tenor Saxophone on Film (Joshua Redman); March 19th; Weekend 2: Jim Hall: A Life in Progress (Jim Hall & Bruce Ricker); March 31st; Pat Metheny Trio; Masonic Auditorium; April 1st; Jim Hall Trio; Herbst Theatre, Van Ness & Market; April 2nd; Jim Hall Trio plus Bill Frisell, Russell Malone, Peter Bernstein, John Abercrombie, Greg Osby, Tom Harrell, & Chris Potter; Herbst Theatre; April 2nd; SF; 415-398-5655
SF ORPHEUM THEATRE; "Minnelli on Minnelli", March 9th through 12th; SF Orpheum Theatre; 415-551-2000
SYNERGY STAGE; "Fortunes Fools" Through March 4th, Delta King Theatre; Old Sacramento; 995-5464
T STREET THEATRE; Free To Be You And Me; thru February 26th; 4623 T St., 264-8890
THEATRE ONE; "Love Letters", February 25th at 8pm, February 27th at 3pm, & March 10th at 8pm;" The Amazing Transformation of Oscar Schumake", February 26th 8pm, March 3rd at 8pm, March 5th at 3pm; Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento, 2425 Sierra Blvd, 483-9283
THEATER RHINOCEROS; Barebacking, A Sex Panic! Comedy, thru March 5th; Latin Hustle, March 16 thru April 15; Whatever Happened To Sister George? May 18 thru June 17; 2926 16th St., San Francisco, 415-861-5079
THISTLE DEW DESSERT THEATRE; Albertine in Five times; February 19th; 6pm, YWCA, 1122 17th St., 264-8080
UC DAVIS;Pianist Adam Neiman, February 25, 8pm; University of California-Davis, 1 Shields Drive, 530-752-5537
THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE; Mass Appeal thru February 19th;The Mystery of Irma Yep, thru February 19; Godspell, March 31 thru April 22; On Golden Pond, May 19 thru June 10; 340 2nd St., Woodland, 530-666-9617
YERBA BUENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS THEATER; Helgi Tomasson, April 10; 700 Howard St., San Francisco, 415-978-ARTS/392-4400
UPCOMING EVENTS:
International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival: June 15th through July 25th; Info: 415-703-8650

ART GALLERIES

ART IN GENERAL; Manly; through April 1st; 79 Walker Street, New York, 212-219-0473
ASHCAN GALLERY; The Promised Land; thru March 3rd;The Eyes of March; March 6th through 31st; Social Myths; April 3rd through 28th; The Myths of Legends; May 1st through June 2nd; " Art a la Carte", June 5th through June 30th; "Realistic Views", July 3rd through July 28th;"The Wonders of Light", August 7th through September 1st; "Mystical Capriciousness" September 4th through September 29th; 6005 Auburn Blvd., 729-8246
BLOOMING ART; Erotic Narratives, through February 26th1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800
CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART, In The front Room; Michael Singer, "Forty Years of Architecture", March 11th through April 1;1516 Del Paso Blvd., 927-2278
CROCKER ART MUSEUM; Ansel Adams; Classic Images, thru July 9th; Trunk Show February 19th-20th; Therman Statumís Constantinople, thru February 27th; James Mitchell Chorale; February 20th; Art Travel, The Phoenix Art Museum; March 31st thru April 2, 2000; 216 O St., 264-5423
CSUS; "Heading East: California's Asian Pacific Experience Exhibit, through February 25th; University Theatre in Shasta Hall; 452-6174, 448-6465
DOIRON GALLERY; Sierra Clay, through March 8th, Liquid Amber & Other Acts of Random Artistry, March 10th through April 5th, 1625 Del Paso Blvd., 564-4433
FINE ARTS MUSEUMS of SAN FRANCISCO; The Poetry of Things, February 19th thru May 14th; Between the Black Dessert and the Red; Narratives of African American Art & Identify; thru June 2000; Museum Pieces: Bay Area Artists Consider the De Young; thru March 12th, 2000; Two Important Acquisitions for the New De Young thru February 5th; Abstraction in Artist Books from the Permanent Collection; thru February 20th De Young Museum, Golden Gate Park, 75 Tea Garden Dr., San Francisco, 415-750-7692
JGLENN GALLERY; Artist's reception; Judi Stickney, Sandy Delehanty; March 6th through April 8th; 603 4th street, Davis, 530-757-2292
KZiS CAF... & GALLERIA; Cath Posehn Latest Works, March 11th, 1628 K St
MATRIX ARTS; "Evocatively Intimate" March 8th through 30th; 1518 Del Paso Blvd, 923-9118
MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY;"Guise; 4 Approaches" March 11th; 6-10pm; 1616 Del Paso Blvd. Suite 3; 929-7896
PARHAM GALLERY FINE & EXOTIC TEAPOTS, Lax Airport Teapot Exhibit, thru February 2000; S/West Air Terminal, #1 upstairs; 2847 S. Armacost Ave. L.A.
SACRAMENTO FINE ARTS CENTER; Water Color Workshop; February 25th through 28th, 5330-B Gibbons Drive, 971-3713
SAN FRANCISCO MOMA, Paul Klee, Signs of Life, thru March 14; Far Out: Design from the Sixties, thru February 20; The Architecture of Graphics: Design for SCI-Arc from the Permanent Collection of Architecture and Design; Edge City: Work by Steven Holl from the Permanent Collection of Architecture and Design, thru February 20, 2000; New Work: Painting Today, Recent Acquisitions, thru March, 2000; Sol LeWitt: A Retrospective, February 19 thru May 21; Structure & Surface: Contemporary Japanese Textiles, March 10 thru June 20; Germaine Krull, April 14 thru July 30; Rene Magritte, May 5 thru September 30; Robert Gober: Sculpture & Drawings, June 9 thru September 4; Walker Evans, June thru September 12; Ellsworth Kelly in San Francisco, June thru August 29; Experiments: Recent Accessions in Architecture & Design, July thru October; Messengers of Modernism: American Studio Jewelry, 1940-1960; Celebrating Modern Art: The Anderson Collection, October 7 thru January 2001; A Hidden Picasso, November, 2000; 151 3rd St., San Francisco, 415-357-4000, http://www.sfmoma.org
SERENITEA; Second Saturday Reception; through March 10th; 6-9pm; 2406 J Street, 447-1832
SOLOMON DUBNICK GALLERY; Persistent Anomaly: Visual Arts in Fiber, through February 26th; Ken Waterstreet: Oil Paintings & Drawings; Irving Marcus: Oil Paintings & Oil Pastels; Relationships; Cindy Jackson - Bronze Sculpture; March 2nd through April 1st; Momentary Fleets; April 6th through 29th; Figurative Still Lifes: Portraits of Artists From Northern California; May 4th through June 3rd; 2131 Northrop Ave; 920-4547
TOWE AUTO MUSEUM; 15th Docent Training Class; thru May 2000; 2200 Front Street; 442-6802
TOWER GALLERY; Melissa Chandon Snow; through February 29th, 484 Howe Ave., 924-1001
UC DAVIS, From The Collection: Black thru March 11th;Pamela Shields, Julia Couzens, Malaquias Montoya; Visual Impact: The Art of the Poster, thru April 22; University of California-Davis, 1 Shields Ave., Art Building, 530-752-1915.
VIEWPOINT GALLERY;Richard Copeland Miller " Passage: Europe; through March 17th; 551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd., 916-441-2341

ONGOING EVENTS:
Museum Pieces: Bay Area Artists Consider the de Young - Thru March 12th
Between the Black Dessert and the Red: Turkmen Carpets from the Widersperg Collection. - Thru June 25th

SPECIAL EVENTS:
SACRAMENTO MUSEUM DAY; February 26th from 10am to 4pm; (free admission) Info: 923-7474
CALL TO ARTISTS; 2000 CROCKER-KINGSLEY EXHIBITION: Deadline April 17th; exhibit will be held at Crocker Art Museum June 30th through August 10th; 216 O street; 264-5423 (applications available at museum)

GRAPHIC ARTIST

MGW Newspaper

has a full-time position open for a newspaper production graphic artist. Must be experienced in managing Macintosh software; PageMaker, Illustrator, Photoshop. Knowledge of ad design and text layout important. The ideal candidate should be adaptable, organized, timely, team-contributor and willing to learn. Salary negotiable.

Web: www.info@mgwnews.com
Phone: 916.441.6397
Phone: 916.441.6422

MGW
MOM... GUESS WHAT! NEWSPAPER

Whisler Land Company

Please Join Our Team In Serving All Of Your Real Estate Needs!
Serving The Gay and Lesbian Community For Over 20 Years.
for more info about selling your home and the properties below visit **www.whisler.com**

Whisler Land Company - For All You Real Estate Needs - 916-446-6666 Commercial, Residential, Apartments - Whisler Land Company

Land Park 2 Story

1743 10th Ave, $459,500
call Mark Whisler at 446-6666

Land Park Estate Home

901 3rd Ave, $335,000
call Brian McMartin. 451-5767

Midtown Victorian 4 Plex
1811 H Street, $224,500

call Mark Whisler at 446-6666

Mc Kinley Park Fourplex!
515 30th Street, $217,500

call Mark Whisler at 446-6666

Downtown Condo

1617 10th Street, $112,500
3 bdm. 2 Bath. call Mark Whisler 446-6666

Realtors

WHISLER LAND COMPANY

www.whisler.com

Agents Needed

GO FOR SUCCESS!

Whisler Land Company is in need of licensed Real Estate agents with a minimum of 2 years experience who would like to work in a fast paced office. Please send your resume to DRF, WLC, 2509 Capitol Ave. Ste 100, Sacto Ca 95816 or call and leave a confidential message.

www.whisler.com

www.whisler.com

www.whisler.com

Happy Saint Patricks Day

Let Whisler Land Company Help You Find the Home of Your Dreams!

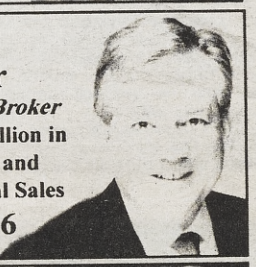
Brian McMartin
Realtor
Over 25 Million In Sales
451-5767

Realtor

Rennie Gamez
Realtor
Specializing in Davis, San Francisco, & Sacramento
802-2845

Realtor

Mark Whisler
Realtor Broker
Over 30 Million in Residential and Commerical Sales
446-6666



Realtor € Broker

Dennis Neufeld
Realtor
Broker
Residential & Commercial Specialist
446-6663

Realtor € Broker

Danny Figueroa
Senior Loan Officer
564-9500

VeraBank Mortgage Corporation

Lender

Your Community Lender
Over 75 Million In Loans in 1999
NORTH AMERICAN MORTGAGE COMPANY
Shirleen Von Hoffmann 854-7757

Lender

Personal Injury Attorneys

ORDAS, TIMMONS, OWEN & OWEN, INC.
Allan Owen
Attorney
Over 20 Years of Experience handling Personal Injury Cases
444-0321

Mark La Rocque
Attorney
498-0431
Specializing in Personal Injury Accidents
No Fee Unless You Win